

—Signal Corps Photo  
MEMBERS of a reconnaissance squad of a mechanized unit are patrolling a swamp between an island and mainland near St. Germain, France, on the Periers front, their enemy being Nazi paratroopers. Picture looks more graphic when turned upside down.

## Army Times Lights Another Candle

By Edwin A. Johnson  
Today Army Times starts its fifth year.  
War was raging in Europe when Vol. 1, No. 1 went to press. The War Department was drafting plans for an Army of 1,300,000 men. Three hundred thousand regular Army and National Guard men were maneuvering in five areas. The Senate was debating the need for calling out all National Guard units for a year's training.  
Since that day four years ago Army Times has reported the growth

of the Army from a government step-child of 150,000 men to the world's greatest armed force.

Primarily interested in GI Joe, Army Times has filled its columns each week with news about his training, his ability to handle new weapons and to adapt himself to the ever-changing strategy of modern warfare. It has printed his humorous vignettes, new ideas, cartoons, verse and the stories of his courage and resourcefulness in training and in battle.

### Stories of Many Joes

The story of the United States Army of today is the story of many Joes and that is the story Army Times has told. Its editors have maintained many contacts in an effort to report all the news of interest to Army personnel. The paper has acted as a mirror in reflecting the attitude of civilians changing to soldiers.

Through the early years Army Times' paramount interest was reporting the story of making the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker into members of a tough, tight fighting unit. It reported the changing draft procedures, the changing pay status, the development of better equipment, the adoption of better fighting techniques.

GI Joe hasn't had an easy time as a soldier. He has been forced to watch the enemy roll with ease over unprepared nations. He has had to stop those well-trained enemy units, despite insufficient supplies and equipment early in the war. He has had to learn complicated, highly specialized techniques in order to

(See "Army Times," Page 6)

## Fourteen Germans Find Cider House, Make Merry, Wake Up War Prisoners

Fourteen German soldiers discovered a cider house in Normandy. Slacking their rifles outside, they proceeded to make merry. With cups upraised, they were drinking a toast to "war's end" when a squad of Yanks interrupted the festivities. Sobered up in the morning, they found the war for them had ended. They were PW's.

Prime Minister Churchill is becoming quite a commuter between England and France. He was at the Normandy battlefield again a few days ago to get first-hand data from Generals Montgomery and Bradley.

To guard against possibility of their votes being "influenced," Yanks in Army camps in Britain will be unable to buy British newspapers and magazines until after the American Presidential election. The Army said the action was taken under the Soldiers' Voting Law and asserted the same rule applied to American newspapers and maga-

Copies of Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.

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## Yanks Drive Toward Paris; Situation Similar to 1918

WASHINGTON—The German situation today is comparable with that of August, 1918. With disorganization evident in their defense lines on both East and West fronts, with wild rumors coming almost daily of serious internal conditions, with the best brains of the Army removed by Hitler's recent purge, and with shortages of various types of material,

the outlook for the Nazis is grim. It is only a matter of time until the end comes.

It is possible that some internal happening which would do away with Nazi control and leave the Junker officer element in charge may bring approaches for peace very soon. But, as differing from the 1918 situation Hitler has the Army, as well as

the people of the Reich, under his thumb, thanks to Himmler and his Gestapo. With nothing but chaos to look forward to, Hitler will probably continue the struggle to the last possible moment.

### Three Yank Armies Progress

Sweeping across the Breton peninsula with little resistance, two Yank armies have taken the seaports of Brest, St. Nazaire and the historic old port of St. Malo, virtually clearing the whole peninsula.

A third army has swept northeastward, taking Le Mans and the Yanks, after a startling advance Wednesday, are 40 miles from Paris. A break through the present line will leave the Nazis without any defense line short of the Seine, near Paris. The Germans appear to be withdrawing from the whole of southern France, to bolster up their defense lines in the north.

On the northern end of the Allied line, where U. S. heavy bombers smashed the guts out of German positions, the Canadians made big additions. (See "Yanks Drive," Page 20)

## Fourth Anniversary Birthday Greetings

HEADQUARTERS ARMY GROUND FORCES, Washington, D. C.

On behalf of the Army Ground Forces, I congratulate the Army Times on the start of your fifth year of publication. You have contributed notably to the important task of keeping our soldiers informed by bringing them news of the activities, both at home and abroad, of their fellow men under arms. It has been particularly gratifying to us of the Army Ground Forces to observe how understandably and consistently you have told the story of our Infantrymen who, as always, must bear the brunt of the battles toward the successful completion of which all our energies must be unremittingly directed.

BEN LEAR.

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

HEADQUARTERS EASTERN DEFENSE COMMAND,

Governors Island, N. Y.

My congratulations to the "Army Times" on its Fourth Birthday. As a very complete service journal it has well proven its usefulness and warrants continued success in the coming years. Best wishes.

GEORGE GRUNERT,

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

HEADQUARTERS NEW YORK GUARD, 80 Centre Street,

New York, N. Y.

In the fourth year of the publication of the Army Times, may I extend to you my best wishes and congratulations. The publication has met a long-felt want in the Army and the circulation of more than 200,000 copies per week is evidence of its far-reaching effect.

As I look back over the past when you and I talked over the question of such a publication and whether to tie it into the old Stars and Stripes of the AEF, I am sure you must be happy as I am in the results you have achieved.

Best wishes to you and wishing you much success in the future.

HUGH A. DRUM,

Lieutenant General, N. Y. G., Commanding

HEADQUARTERS ARMY SERVICE FORCES,

Washington 25, D. C.

For the past four years I have watched the progress of the Army Times, and as you start your fifth year of publication I want to take this opportunity of commending you and your staff for the splendid job you have done in disseminating information to members of the armed forces, and also to their families and friends back home.

(See "BIRTHDAY GREETINGS," Page 6)

## General Ike's Headquarters Now in France

NORMANDY—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander, has established his headquarters here to maintain the closest possible contact with his fast-moving offensive.

The headquarters, it is announced, was moved by air to a site near an airfield, from which General Eisenhower makes speedy trips for personal conferences with Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley and Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery.

Officers and enlisted personnel, including Wacs, are housed in tents in a camouflaged area under patrol by military police.

## Invasion Loss For U. S. Now Totals 69,526

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, AEF—Of a total of 115,665 Allied casualties in the Normandy invasion from D-day on June 6 to July 20, United States losses were 69,526, according to announcement by Supreme Headquarters, which gave the following breakdown:

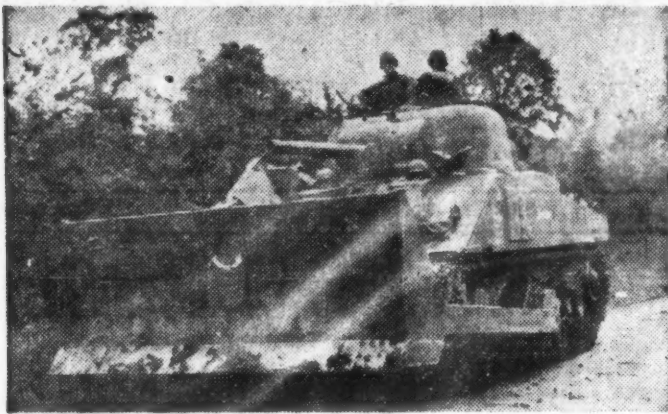
United States—11,026 killed, 52,669 wounded, 5,831 missing; total 69,526.

British—5,646 killed, 27,766 wounded, 6,182 missing; total 39,594.

Canadian—919 killed, 4,354 wounded, 1,272 missing; total 6,545.

United States figures did not include 130 Americans killed, 4 wounded and 312 missing in April when E-boats attacked a convoy engaged in pre-invasion exercises.





—Signal Corps Photo

MEMBERS of the 377th Antiaircraft Unit in France fire their guns in infantry support, having been assigned this task because of lack of activity in their section on the part of the Luftwaffe.

## Sheridan Separation Center Starts Work

FORT SHERIDAN, Ill.—The Separation Center here, one of the five initially created by the War Department and which functions for 15 Midwestern States, has begun processing its first group for discharge.

Operating on a "reverse" principle from the Reception Center, the unit completes the full program of activity for the Sixth Service Command Personnel Center located here.

The principal function of the Separation Center is to receive all officers and men from domestic or overseas installations who have been designated for discharge. The processing includes final property settlement, annual pay settlement, including mustering-out pay; final physical examination; completion of all records; a determined effort to acquaint all discharged men with their rights and privileges, particularly under the "Bill of Rights" act; travel facilities to their homes and the creation of a job history both prior to and during army service which the man may use for future employment records.

Also available to these veterans

will be the service of the United States Employment Service and such other civilian organizations as they may request.

Separation cases to be handled here will be for all men from the States of Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Col. John T. Rhett, Post Commander, has named Lt. Col. E. M. Stenjem, of Stoughton, Wis., commanding officer of the Recruit Reception Center, to command the new unit.

## Who Pays For Joe's Course At The Nation's Colleges?

WASHINGTON—Differences of opinion are developing between education authorities and field offices of the Veterans Administration as to interpretation of the clauses of the GI Bill of Rights which cover payment for a veteran's attendance at college.

Some field offices, the educationists assert, have been interpreting the bill as meaning that the government should pay only the customary student fee, and this amount, they insist, is seldom more than a third of the cost of instruction.

## Post-War Plans Progress

# Senate Gets Unemployment Bill

WASHINGTON—Postwar jobs for all, and protection for those who may not be employed stand out primarily in the nation's thinking as the progress of the war gives some indication that the end of the conflict is not entirely out of sight.

Unemployment legislation had the right of way on the Senate floor this week with the Murray-Truman-Kilgore unemployment bill under consideration and a rival measure by Senator Walter F. George, of Georgia, also up for discussion.

The Murray-Truman-Kilgore measure calls for benefits as high as \$35 weekly for jobless war veterans and civilian unemployed with the excess over the current weekly average of \$18 provided by state compensation laws to be paid by the Federal government.

Senator George's proposal would broaden coverage by state unemployment programs and bring under them some 2,000,000 Federal employees, but would leave administration to the states with smaller payments than are provided by the other measure.

The Senate will probably dispose of the matter this week and in that case the results will be discussed by the House early next week.

### Overshadow Other Issues

Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, said this week that "when peace comes—and it is definitely nearer than it was a month ago—the problem of providing employment for everyone, civilian and soldier alike, will overshadow every other domestic issue."

General Hines declared that the country cannot ask millions of men to risk their lives and then hope to compensate them with pensions, separation pay or job preferences. He suggested that cooperation of business and government could solve the problem.

Mayor LaGuardia, of New York, speaking before the Subcommittee on Public Works of the House Special Committee on Postwar Economic Policy, expressed the opinion that any overall program of public works to employ thousands after the war would cost the country about \$40,000,000,000 in five years, and that about half this sum would have to come from the Federal government.

He suggested an appropriation for the first year immediately following the end of the war equal to 20-day cost of the war, this to be doubled in the second year. He stated that New York was prepared to spend some \$1,270,000,000 on its own program, with Federal help. He noted, further, that a survey sponsored by the city showed that \$1,300,000,000 would be spent by private industry and business in New York after the war.

Senator James E. Murray, of Montana, chairman of the War Contracts Committee of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, stated in Washington that a bill incorporating the principles which are held necessary to maintain powerful post-war air forces and sustain a strong aviation industry behind them would be introduced in the Senate this session. The bill would aid both military and civilian aircraft output and hence provide employment for large numbers in the nation's aircraft plants.

### Aviation Development

Juan T. Trippe, president of the Pan American World Airways System, announced a program for post-war aviation that will speed travel and cut passenger and express rates at least 50 per cent on long trips. He said his system proposes to move boldly ahead in the post-war period and to provide mass transportation for the business man and tourist at low rates unique in air transportation. Details of the program have been filed with the Civil Aeronautics Board.

Evidence of the early post-war development of television comes in application by the International Business Machines Company, acting

jointly with the General Electric Company, to the Federal Communications Commission for the construction of a chain experimental relay station between Washington, New York and Schenectady which will carry three high-quality television programs and other services in both directions simultaneously.

Plans for the stations include terminal depots atop high steel masts in cities about 30 miles apart. The system is designed as a post-war project with eventual expansion throughout the country. Apparatus is now being made at the General Electric Company's plant at Schenectady, N. Y.

Henry Ford predicted, on his 81st birthday on Sunday, that the end of the war would bring tremendous demand for motor cars and mechanized farm equipment and suggested that the Ford Willow Run bomber plant will likely be used to manufacture tractors. He expressed himself as confident that "prosperity and a higher standard of living can be attained after the war."

### Higher Post-war Prices

A survey of government and trade sources indicate, according to authorities in Washington, that the first post-war cars, refrigerators and washing machines will cost from 10 to 25 per cent more than their pre-war counterparts. Wage increase higher material costs and taxes will account for the bulk of the anticipated price increases. It was stated that the percentage increase will be governed by the production when reconversion starts. If production is permitted only at a level the cost per article will be high. If mass production is possible, cost will naturally be lower.

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## Use Balloon For Storing Oxygen

HEADQUARTERS, CBI-ASC—The brows of Air Service Command boys stationed at APO 493 didn't stay furrowed long when they ran into the problem of storing of oxygen so essential for flying close to heaven.

The customary "nurse bags" in which the oxygen usually is stored were lacking; there were none available within a short-time call. Yet the oxygen was needed on hand to comply with the requirements of planned missions.

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HAPPINESS is evident in the smiles of these U. S. Army Nurses who were first to arrive in the China-Burma-India theater and are the first to leave India under the rotation plan.

## Hundred Billion Ready Bank Credit For Reconversion

NEW YORK—Every competent man, firm and corporation that needs bank credit for some constructive purpose will get it. And for adequate amounts and for sufficient length of time to do the job.

This is the credit policy adopted by the Post-War Small Business Credit Commission of the American Bankers Association in mobilizing the nation's 15,000 banks behind a new and forward-looking program that will assure adequate bank credit to meet the needs of small business in the reconversion and post-war periods and announced by Robert M. Hanes, chairman of the commission and former president of the American Bankers Association.

"If the individual banks cannot grant the credit, we as bankers pledge ourselves to see that the money comes from some other bank or group of banks. American banking will see that small business lives and is given the opportunity to grow and prosper.

"It should be clearly understood, however," continued Mr. Hanes, "that this does not mean that banking is embarking upon a program of making reckless loans. Such loans are of no benefit to the borrower, the bank or the community. Nor is it to be construed that banks have not been making loans to small business men of character and ability. They have been doing it for years. In 1940, the last full year of peacetime business operation, the banks of the country made more than twenty-four million loans, the average new loan being approximately \$1,700.

"Never before have the banks of

this country had such a tremendous storehouse of credit with which to serve the multiple needs of post-war business, industry and agriculture as they have today," declared Mr. Hanes. "The deposit structure is now far in excess of one hundred billion dollars. This volume of funds is adequate to finance the credit needs of post-war America regardless of the proportions that may be reached in national production. This credit will be released just as soon as the economic condition of the country permits and government regulations restricting the extension of credit in many lines of activity as a precaution against inflation are lifted.

"The members of the Post-War Small Business Credit Commission," said Mr. Hanes "are determined to see that this great credit reservoir is used for productive purposes to facilitate the conversion of business and industry from war to peacetime production, to revitalize the many segments of small business adversely affected by wartime restrictions, and to provide the financial encouragement and strength to business, industry, agriculture and the professions that will create maximum post-

war employment, particularly for returning war veterans."

### Hiding Small Business

Many banks throughout the country according to Mr. Hanes are already establishing small business loan departments or units under some similar name. The creation of such special departments or committees indicates, he declared, the growing volume of small business loans being made by banks and banking's desire to see that the varied needs of this type of enterprise receive specialized and expert attention.

The Commission itself is undertaking immediate research into the problems of small business under the guidance of its newly-appointed staff director, William Sheperdson, former chief of the Small Business Unit of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, U.S. Department of Commerce. Plans are being made for a series of regional meetings throughout the country, the first of which will be held in New England and the Midwest in September to acquaint bankers with the technical aspects of the Commission's program.

## Joe, You're Practically A Blooming Plutocrat

WASHINGTON—Okay, Joe, we know you're going to snort but once again one of those pen and pencil sports has figured out that the bucks you crack your heels for on pay day isn't just fifty pieces of lettuce but is the balance of practically a small fortune.

It all will probably come as a shock to the gang who always have those "after-the-15th-blues" but if you're dolled up with a handful of stripes, well soldier, you're making more money than the governors of some states.

Don't argue with us, we're just repeating the words of Mr. Malvern Hall Tillitt, who penned a piece for Barron's National Business and Financial Weekly.

Mr. Tillitt did a bit of surveying and came up with the conclusion that a private is making more than a

single civilian with a \$3,600 income.

Here's how he figured it:

	Civilian	Private
Total Income	\$3,600	\$600
Living Expenses	2,508	189
Federal Taxes	749	000

The conclusion is reached simply by subtracting those items, housing, K-rations, medical attention and O.D.s, etc., from the net income of the civilians.

On the other hand because Uncle Sammy takes care of his boys Joe only has to dig an average of \$18 a month out of his fatigue pocket.

So, according to Mr. Tillitt, if you're one of the few guys who will admit making less than \$500 a week in civilian life, you're doing okay in the Army.

We repeat—that's according to Mr. Tillitt.



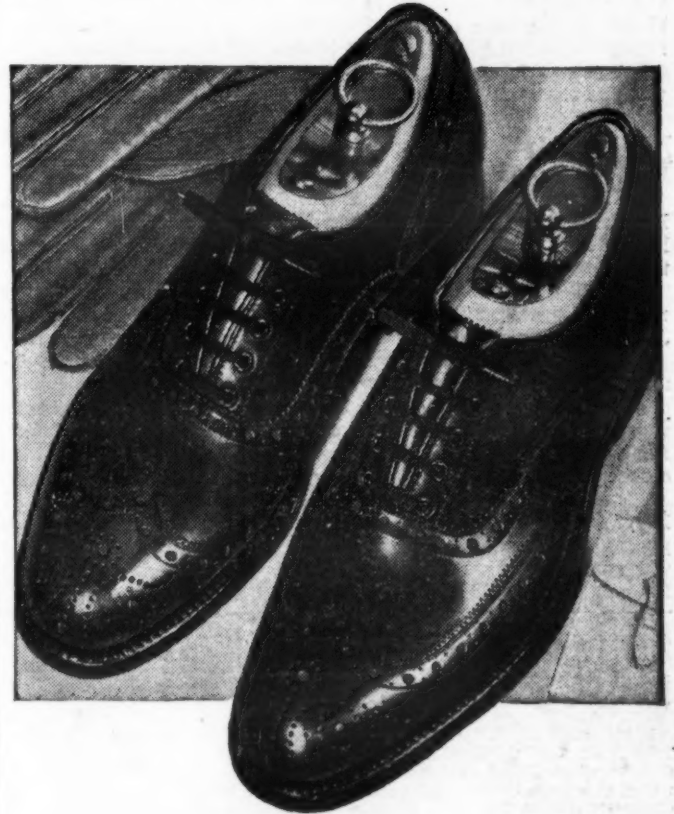
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## Army Feeding Methods Observed by Civilians

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, Md.—Approximately 35 civilian food and bakery consultants from the East Coast met here to discuss Army feeding methods.

Maj. Joseph Kuhns, commandant of the two-day conference. The general was host to the conference and Col. C. F. Kearney, director of the food service program for the Army, presided. Brig. Gen. B. G. Hardigg, director of the subsistence division, Office of the Quartermaster General, attended the first day of the two-day conference. The general told the bakers, hoteliers, and restaurateurs that 40,000,000 pounds of food are required daily to provide a ration of four and a half to five pounds of food for each soldier now in the Army.

"One of the greatest boons to conservation and to the standards of Army messes has been the advancement of boneless beef," General Hardigg said. "Sixty days after the Salerno landing in Italy, our troops were eating fresh meat, instead of canned rations."

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**Encouraging—But Still Rough!**

How long can Germany take it?

Squeezed from three sides, hammered from the top and torn by internal squabbles, Germany is taking a helluva beating.

Rome has been in Allied hands for over two months; Warsaw is within striking range of the Russians and unconfirmed reports on Thursday put Allied forces within 40 miles of Paris.

General Eisenhower has moved his headquarters to France. It is good news. Eisenhower's presence in France is required by the speed and the size of the operation. The pace is so fast that often our forward teams of tanks and armored infantry are out of touch with divisional headquarters.

The need for faster command action is all the greater because changing supply lines and newly won ports are involved, and the co-ordination between air and ground forces requires over-all decisions. These decisions General Eisenhower is now in a position to make.

Every phase of the European war is very encouraging. Hitler has been able to subdue the revolt by the costly method of bumping off some of his top military leaders. It is one way to put down a rebellion—but generals win wars. Rabble-rousing Nazi leaders talk a good war but aren't efficient at winning them.

In many respects the European war is comparable to the first World War. Germany is running short of manpower, equipment and food. It is caught in a wave of dissatisfaction. But in the last war the Junkers were able to toss the Kaiser overboard—while this time Hitler did the tossing.

It is apparent now that the Nazi leaders intend to fight to the last man and the Allies intend to give them a chance to do so. If the present pace of the Allied offensives continue the German armies on the three fronts will be backing into each other.

The war is encouraging—but Joe on the fighting fronts can tell you that war is hell.

**New Subject for Discussion!**

The recent conferences between President Roosevelt, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Admiral Chester Nimitz and other military leaders at Pearl Harbor has given added importance to the Pacific theater of operations.

With the European war proceeding at a faster pace than military leaders anticipated it is expected that the drive against Japan will be steadily accelerated.

Although handicapped by lower priorities on supplies, equipment and personnel the military leaders in the Pacific theater have done a magnificent job to date. Fighting in terrain which is unfamiliar to members of our citizen Army, American soldiers, sailors and Marines have been pushing the Japs back to the land of the Rising Sun.

Just what the military leaders talked about at the Pearl Harbor conference will be the subject of a great deal of second-guessing with the Japanese leading the discussions. Whatever was said—you can bet that someone is going to catch hell, and it won't be the Allies.

**800 Men Work Day And Night Feeding Munitions Into France**

HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATION—Five Ordnance Base Depot Companies stationed at a large United States Army General Depot in Southern England are pouring hundreds of tons of war material daily into the hungry maws of Allied troops invading France.

Coordinated as a single unit, the companies operate the third largest ordnance section in the United Kingdom. To the troops in Normandy they ship ammunition, firearms and automotive equipment of all kinds. More than 800 men work day and night shifts to check, crate and ship these vital materials to the front.

The ordnance section occupies a half-million square feet of space, or more than nine acres. Of that area, approximately half is comprised of storage sheds and warehouses, the balance of outdoor storage space.

Supply and repair are the chief concerns of the ordnance section. The

supply division, occupying a warehouse whose length is about equal to the height of the Woolworth building, houses more spare parts than the average automobile factory. In the hundreds of storage bins can be found everything from sparkplugs to huge truck motors, from tiny washers to spare parts for large field guns. These ordnance men could, if the need arose, manufacture anything from an M1 rifle to a complete truck.

Repairs keep several hundred men busy around the clock. Experts handle anything from guns to broken pistons. Machine shops that are nothing less than small factories are elaborately equipped to take care of all types of repair jobs.

RUSSIAN Yak planes serve as guards at Ecoussas, the American shuttle-bombing stations, somewhere in Russia.

**"The Four Horsemen"****At Your Service**

Q. I am 32 years old; was a teacher before I was inducted, and since then my certificate has become void. Am I eligible under the GI Bill of Rights to continue my education?

A. In our opinion you are eligible for education or re-training under the Act; to take a refresher course in education or to continue for a longer period.

Q. Do you have any information on pending legislation regarding the mustering out of veterans over 35 years of age?

A. We know of no such legislation that has serious consideration. There have been reports, unconfirmed as yet, that men over 35 will have greater opportunities for discharge.

Q. I have over 19 years and nine months in the regular Army; am now in the hospital. My discharge is in line of duty. If I took a CDD discharge before my 20 years are completed, will I be entitled to compensation?

A. Should you accept discharge before the completion of 20 years' service you would undoubtedly be entitled to pension, but how much I cannot say without opportunity to review your medical record. Would recommend that you wait for retirement; then you can file a claim with the Veterans Administration and if it is found that you may be entitled to more pension than retirement pay you can arrange to surrender retirement and accept pension.

Q. I want to buy a home under the provisions of the GI Bill of Rights. On what basis can I get the money and what will be the monthly payments?

A. The Veterans Administration has not yet issued instructions regarding the part of the Act relating to purchase of homes; will answer your inquiry as soon as the information is available. Meanwhile, here's a copy of the Act.

The following questions and answers were released by the Public Relations Officer, First Service Command:

Q. My son is in the Army. We need him to help work the farm. Can you tell me how I can get my son home?

A. Soldier requesting a dependency discharge must first discuss it with his commanding officer who, in turn, asks the local Draft Board for an investigation and recommendation on the case. The final decision rests with the commanding officer.

Q. Can a woman receive family allowance for herself and minor son from her husband and from another son in the service?

A. The woman may receive family allowance from her husband for her-

Army Times presents herewith an Information Bureau on GI matters of all kinds, conducted weekly by the American Legion.

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self and child, and also from her son, if the fact of dependency upon him is established by certificate of dependency.

Q. What is the difference between compensation and pensions?

A. Compensation is pay for service-connected death or disability. Pension is used to describe non-service-connected monetary benefits.

Q. What is meant by longevity pay?

A. Servicemen receive an increase of five per cent on base pay for each three years of service, not to exceed 30 years, called longevity pay.

Q. Is the family allowance made to the dependent of the members of the armed forces exempt from Federal Income Tax?

A. Yes, the entire amount is exempt from tax on the part of the beneficiary.

Q. My discharge certificate contains some errors and is not complete. What can I do about it?

A. Write to the Demobilized Records Branch, The Adjutant General's Office, War Department, High Point, N. C., and your records will be checked and if corrections are indicated they will be made.

Q. Are aviation cadets entitled to longevity pay?

A. Enlisted men receiving aviation cadet training are entitled to longevity pay until they enter pre-flight aviation training and become cadets. Thereafter they are not enlisted men and the pay is that of cadet.

Q. The Second Battalion of the 60th Infantry Regiment was awarded battle honors. Can you tell me about it and what kind of a ribbon we are entitled to wear?

A. The battalion was cited by the President on January 4, 1944. All members of the unit are entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge, which is described as a blue ribbon in a gold frame border.

A SOVIET official in London has stated that Russia is ready to negotiate with the Allies for millions of tons of machinery. This machinery was almost wholly supplied by Germany before the war.

**Letters**

Gentlemen:

In reference to your article on Parapooches (May 27 issue) it's all wet. Maggie and Jiggs were not the first dogs to merit wings.

Check the history of "Geronimo," member of the 507th Parachute Infantry, and you'll be amazed to learn that our dog was the first to qualify, plus the fact he was the first animal to wear boots.

Ex-Member of 507th, New Guinea.

(With no desire to detract from Geronimo's jumping ability—he was not a member of any Army dog corps. While Geronimo was an adopted member of the 507th, Maggie and Jiggs are official Army dogs with their own "form 20's."—Ed.)

Gentlemen:

I note on page 11 of your issue of July 15 a story stating that 1st Lt. Wm. K. Batson is the youngest World War veteran. While not wishing to detract from the lieutenant's claim, for I do not know his birth date, I would like to give the facts in my case.

I was born August 27, 1902, and enlisted in the Navy April 10, 1917. I was discharged July 15, 1919. While in the Navy I was on the U. S. S. President Lincoln when that ship was torpedoed and sunk May 31, 1918.

I enlisted in the Army September 15, 1942, took my basic training at Camp Wheeler and attended OCS, Lt. Samuel Hart, Sr., Camp Fannin, Tex.

Gentlemen:

Referring to letters to editor on page 4, July 22 issue.

In this issue you have published a letter signed by S/Sgt. S. F. Lane, Co. M, 335th Inf., Camp Claiborne, La. We wish to inform you that there is no one by that name in this organization, now or since that company was activated, and would appreciate it when your next issue of Army Times is published you put in this remark, as we do not like this sort of publicity.

Capt. James T. Hart, Camp Claiborne, La.

(Army Times regrets its inability to check the names and addresses of soldiers writing to the paper. Our apologies to Captain Hart and Co. M.—Ed.)

Gentlemen:

I have just seen a jungle-fighter sketch by Robbie of the 99th Division published in Army Times. The only way in the world to get through a jungle is with a machete—and how can you see grenades when everyone who goes on a patrol carries them in their pockets, not hanging over them like vines.

Some of the best scouts I have ever seen carry their weapons like they would hunting rabbits.

T/Sgt. E. S. Pitts, New Guinea.

Gentlemen:

At the request of the members of this organization, I write this letter regarding the article "Sergeant Sets New 25-Mile Hike Mark," in the Army Times of July 15.

We, as Infantrymen, object to the wide publicity given this feat, not because we desire to discredit the sergeant, but because he ran 25 miles—not hiked 25 miles. He participated in a marathon run handicapped by equipment.

The article also states that the sergeant was at the point of exhaustion when he crossed the finish line. Doughboys are required to hike 25 miles with equipment in less than eight hours and still have enough stamina left to engage the enemy in close in-fighting. Therefore, we desire to know the object of the sergeant completing 25 miles in less than four hours.

1st Sgt. Francis Palmchok, APO 98, San Francisco.

(As long as there are men, there will be records and as long as there are records men will break them. It doesn't make any difference whether it's riding horses, pitching hand grenades or drinking beer, men will try to beat the next guy to him.—Ed.)



# Army Quiz

1. Can you locate "Koprzywnica" and "Myittha," cities prominently in the war news of the past fortnight?

2. The "FFI" have been active in the battles in France since the invasion. Are they—

- A. The Flying Fortresses of the Invasion?
- B. French Forces of the Interior?
- C. The Famous Fighting Infantry?

3. A plane taking off from an airfield has the right of way over one landing. True? False?

4. A famous "war" President was taller than all the other Presidents. Was he—

- A. Franklin Delano Roosevelt?
- B. Woodrow Wilson?
- C. Abraham Lincoln?

5. Alfred Rosenberg, a German writer, a few weeks ago warned the German nation and armies against a "Fifth Front." The action he prophesied has already developed and been prominently in news dispatches. Can you tell what it was?

6. Operations of the Quartermaster K-9 Corps have been helpful to American soldiers in France since the invasion. Are they—

- A. The supply of K-rations?
- B. French women doing K-F duty?
- C. Army M-dogs locating buried German mines?

7. In a report on the malaria problem in the Army the War Department stated that "actual deaths from malaria are low," and stated that the number actually attributed to malaria in 1943 was —. Would you say that for the whole Army it was—

- A. 25,000?
- B. 3,204?
- C. Below 100?

8. The leading American air-fighter ace, who has 31 planes to his credit, and was about to come home to United States on a furlough, was reported missing last week. Was it—

- A. Lt. Col. Phil Cochrane?
- B. Maj. Richard Bong?
- C. Lt. Col. Francis Gabreski?

9. How many American soldiers would you think lost their lives in the crossing of the English Channel in the first six weeks of invasion operations?

- A. 367?
- B. 63?
- C. None?

10. The following three statements regarding war matters were made by Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, Lt. Gen. Doolittle, and Premier Winston Churchill last week. Each is characteristic of the speaker and his part in the war. Can you connect the statement with the speaker?

- A. "We've got the Hun groggy."
- B. "The speed and finality of the victory will depend on the fortitude of our soldiers and the completeness of their supply."
- C. "The splendid and spectacular victories won by the Americans in France..."

(See "Quiz Answers," page 19)

## Up Front With Mauldin



"I'll talk to th' colonel—you ain't getting paid to think."

## Yale Reports Special Plans For Returned Servicemen

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—The first announcement of any of the major colleges of a definite program of studies for returning servicemen was made this week by Yale University, in an outline by President Charles Seymour, "Yale Studies for Returning Servicemen," which, Mr. Seymour noted, is to become effective at once.

The purpose of "Yale Studies" is to provide a broad and flexible program to meet the needs of returning servicemen who will be eager to obtain the benefits of a college education, yet may be anxious to complete their studies in a short time to enter business or a profession.

### Intensive Courses

The program provides a one-year intensive course for servicemen, who have never been to college or who have attended less than a year, for entrance into junior classes. Another will apply to servicemen who have had at least one full year of college for entrance into one of the professional or graduate schools, or for the business world. Further, a calendar is provided consisting of two long terms of 16 weeks each in the fall and spring and an additional short, or half-term of eight weeks in the summer, with two long terms comprising an academic year.

Special arrangements will be provided for students returning at irregular intervals, with each student encouraged "to go as fast and as high as he is able."

All men enrolled under "Yale Studies," whether or not they achieve degrees, will receive a cer-

tificate of work accomplished at the conclusion of their courses. But consideration of the time spent in the armed forces is to be given in the granting of degrees.

It is anticipated that returning servicemen will form the major part of the Yale undergraduate body for several years after the war. They will live in the residential colleges of their choice and will be eligible for scholarships, prizes, opportunities for self support, loans, athletic, academic and social honors on the same basis as undergraduates.

## DeWitt Is Named As Successor To McNair in Europe

WASHINGTON—Assignment of Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt to succeed the late Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair in an undisclosed command of great importance in Europe was announced by the War Department.

General DeWitt, former commanding general of the Fourth Army and the Western Defense Command with headquarters at San Francisco, has been commandant of the Joint Army-Navy Staff College in Washington for the last 13 months.

In his West Coast command, he headed the mobilization of defenses there after Pearl Harbor and carried out the evacuation of Japanese nationals from critical areas.

### Clean Sweep for Bainbridge

BAINBRIDGE, Ga.—A clean sweep of a four game series this season with Finney General Hospital from Thomasville was made by the Bainbridge Army Air Field Blockbusters, when they trounced the "City of Roses" club, 9-4, in a South Georgia Service League diamond battle.

### Saves Fellow-Soldier's Life

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEPARTMENT—For an act of heroism that saved the life of a fellow soldier, Pfc. Robert M. Nieboer of Muskegon, Mich., a Medical Corps soldier, has been awarded the Soldier's Medal by Alaskan Department headquarters.



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# Army Times Looks Forward

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whip the enemy at his own game. He has had to put those techniques into practical use in order to force the enemy to retreat.

But Joe's task does not cease with the winning of the war. He must learn once again to be a civilian, to take his place in the peace-world. That is what he is thinking about as he smashes the Krauts in Italy and France, advances through the jungles of the South Pacific and Asia, lives in his isolated world of the Aleutians, Iceland, Iran and India, or trains in the maneuver areas of the States.

But as Joe makes V-Day a "when" instead of an "if" others have become extremely interested in his problem. Legislative steps have been taken in his behalf—others are being planned. Business and government leaders are mulling over his problems and planning for the day he returns.

## An Emblem

Joe has not only become the defender of his nation—he has become the emblem of his nation's future. As Joe goes—so goes the nation.

During the past year Army Times has reported all details available on the mustering-out pay, GI Bill of Rights and the Soldier Vote Bill.

It has disagreed and criticized various phases of these pieces of legislation. It has praised other phases. It is proud of the part it has played in the adoption of these bills. Its editorials were quoted in the Congressional Record and daily press when the bills were being discussed on Capitol Hill.

This basic legislation is imperative in rehabilitating Joe. His right to vote, though slapped around by an inadequate bill, nevertheless has been recognized. It has given him to understand that the government he is fighting for is also his to help govern.

The mustering-out pay helps bridge a small part of the gap between military and civilian life. It provides a small amount of money, which can be used to live on while seeking desirable employment.

The GI Bill of Rights is the most comprehensive piece of legislation ever written for the benefit of the veterans. Its provisions are so broad that today, eight weeks after passage of the bill, rulings and interpretations have been made on but one phase—educational benefits.

To the editors of Army Times these bills are but stop-gaps in the reconversion period. The emergencies are taken care of but the basic problems, which veterans must face, have been but slightly touched. As Army Times goes into its fifth year these problems and the solutions to these problems will probably dominate its editorial and news columns.

## Joe, Let's Look Ahead

So, Joe, let's take a look at a few of the post-war problems confronting you.

In the first place you will have to get out of the Army. In this war demobilization won't be handled on the slipshod wholesale basis that characterized the first World War's discharge procedure.

A year after the Armistice was signed all but 400,000 of 3,700,000 soldiers had been given their discharges. The only reason for not getting a discharge after that war was value to the Army.

There was a brief flurry of reconstruction after the mass demobilization and then a two year depression.

Although the plan is strictly "hush-hush" the War Department has been working on a reverse Selective Service system ever since the war began. With the cooperation of the War Manpower Commission, the War Production Board, the United States Employment Service and other agencies demobilization planners in the Pentagon have been working on your problem.

Although popular pressure for a quick demobilization will be tremendous these planners must consider international commitments plus relocating problems.

Demobilization will be carried out as rapidly as military and economic factors permit. Attention will be given to a man's age, combat experience, length of service, family responsibilities and employment prospects.

Many of you will be gripped by the

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**Senate Expected To Order Out Guard Troops**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Senate is expected to pass a bill today which would order out of the United States all troops of the National Guard and Organized Reserves for field service.

**General Marshall Visits 4th Army**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—General George C. Marshall, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, is expected to visit the 4th Army in the near future.

**300,000 Troops Battle On Five Fronts As Army Carries On Momentous Peacetime "War"**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Army is carrying on a momentous peacetime "war" on five fronts. The fronts are: the battle for the hearts and minds of the American people, the battle for the hearts and minds of the world, the battle for the hearts and minds of the enemy, the battle for the hearts and minds of the future, and the battle for the hearts and minds of the present.



**General George C. Marshall**

**60 To 70-Ten Tanks Ordered For Army**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Army is expected to receive 60 to 70 ten-ton tanks in the near future.

**For Army Ready For Roosevelt Visit Saturday**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Army is ready for the visit of President Roosevelt on Saturday.

**Only Nine Months For Spring Rallying Officer**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Only nine months are left for the Spring Rallying Officer.

**Senate Voted Pay Rates For Army and Air Force**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Senate has voted on pay rates for the Army and Air Force.

**"Invisible" Enemy of U. S. Guards Troops at Abolition**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The "invisible" enemy of U. S. Guards troops is at abolition.

**Pan American Airways is Helping U. S. Train Youths For Long-range Flying**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Pan American Airways is helping the U. S. train youths for long-range flying.

**War Committee Approves Bill on Impaired Tests**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The War Committee has approved a bill on impaired tests.

**Military Division to Receive**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—The Military Division is to receive.

**New U. S. Appointed**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—A new U. S. has been appointed.

system adopted. You may assume a critical attitude toward those who precede you out of service. The cry, "They'll get the best jobs," is sure to be raised. Your family is sure to fume. It's going to be rough.

Getting your discharge papers will be just the first step in your readjustment problem. Putting your OD's far back in the closet and donning a derby, loose suit, bright tie and white shirt won't solve it. In fact the clothes will be as uncomfortable as hell.

You didn't become a soldier when you put on a uniform and you won't become a civilian by putting on civvies. You have changed and so has your family, your neighbors, your friends and old boss.

Some of you have grown critical of 4-F's, deferred men and labor. They "made piles of dollars," while you fought and worked for fifty bucks and beans. Some of you even are critical of men who have been discharged to date for one reason or another.

Even in your own ranks some of you have grown critical. We have received letters from men overseas calling men in training "USO Commandos" without stopping to remember that they too were once members of the same Saturday night gangs.

Yes, you will find many changes. Surveys have shown that many veterans do not go back to the old jobs. Those who do find that the old \$40-a-week, which was once pretty fair money, doesn't buy the things it once did. Income taxes have gone up. Living expenses are soaring and the things you buy don't stand up like they used to.

You have probably learned a great deal in the Army—a new trade or improved ways of doing your peacetime job. Odds are that hundreds of thousands have learned the same trade or the improved way of doing the old job.

Many of you will be forced into your old peacetime job because the labor market in the field you desire is glutted. Will you find the working conditions satisfactory or the pay standards conforming to your age and experience? That question you alone will have to answer.

But for everyone who has a job to go back to or an education to complete there are many others who will be putting their best foot for-

ward in civilian competition for the first time.

Let's take a hypothetical case. John Brown graduated from college in 1939. Worked in various jobs and had found the right one in the fall of 1941. He enlisted in the winter of 1942, eventually went to OCS and married his best girl as a graduation present. He was sweating out his majority when given a discharge.

Veteran Brown has completed his education and has to have a job with a pay envelope fat enough to support his wife. He can't afford to return to his old job, which pays the usual clerical apprentice wages. Where is Brown going to locate? It's easy, you say. He's a veteran and gets veteran's privileges. That's right—he has been granted more benefits than any veteran of other wars—but it is still his responsibility to make his place in the civilian world.

## Check Yourself

Although you are carrying the sympathies and hopes of the folks back home with you on the fighting fronts—you need check only your reactions to World War I veterans and their stories to realize how much sympathy you will receive unless you produce in peacetime America.

The editors of Army Times carry discharge papers from both World Wars. They have felt the same resentment toward civilians in wartime and know what it is like in turn to be resented because of a white shirt and bright tie.

But it is this realization that makes it possible on this fifth birthday to mirror the feelings of you in uniform, to discuss the problems you must face, to do our best in reporting the solutions to those problems.

We, the editors, feel that your visions of fat bonus checks, of being helped over every readjustment hurdle, of being taken care of will vanish in the cold reality of the post-war period.

But we also know that the post-war America will be a better nation than the pre-war America because you will build it.

That's why on this fifth birthday we find much greater pleasure in mirroring your views, exchanging your ideas and keeping you posted on post-war plans than we did in publishing Vol. 1, No. 1.

# Birthday Greetings

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It may truly be said the growth of the Army Times has been synonymous with the expansion of the Army of the United States, because I am informed that your first issue was published August 17, 1940, the day the Congress approved the President's request to call out the National Guard, and Organized Reserves for field service.

As you start this fifth year, you have my best wishes for continued success in your most worthy undertaking.

J. A. ULIO,

Major General, The Adjutant General

## HEADQUARTERS, SECOND ARMY,

Memphis, Tenn.

The Army Times for four years has been one of the most widely read sources of Army news for our citizen soldiers, and as such merits the thanks and appreciation of all men in uniform.

Accept my congratulations on your fourth anniversary and my personal wishes for the continued success of your useful and informative weekly newspaper.

L. R. FREDENDALL,

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## ARMY SERVICE FORCES, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington, D. C.

On the beginning of its fifth year of publication, this office wishes to congratulate Army Times on the service it has rendered the Army through providing interesting and timely news to its 200,000 readers.

The space which you have devoted to the Quartermaster Corps in each issue has been of value to Quartermaster Corps personnel in keeping them informed of accomplishments of the Corps, technical developments in equipment, and in other phases of Quartermaster activities. It is hoped that this section will be continued. Best wishes for your continued success.

E. B. GREGORY,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## WAR DEPARTMENT, Bureau of Public Relations, Washington, D. C.

General Arnold has asked me to convey to you his congratulations on completion of the fourth year of publication of Army Times.

The General has watched with interest the growth and development of your always interesting and informative newspaper and particularly of the Army Air Forces editions, which have kept so closely abreast of our own growth.

I would like to add my own congratulations and best wishes for your continued growth and success.

WILLIAM WESTLAKE,

Colonel G. S. C., Assistant to Director for Army Air Forces

## HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, Colorado Springs, Colo.

For the continued important and meritorious service to the personnel of the armed forces, Army Times deserves heartiest congratulations upon completion of four years of publication.

Its well-balanced presentation of news, pictures and text of vital military statements performs a distinct benefit to enlisted men and officers, as well as to their families.

I am happy to mark the beginning of Army Times' fifth year with this letter of appreciation for its efforts on behalf of the men in the service.

UZAL G. ENT,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, 10th ARMORED DIVISION, Camp Gordon, Ga.

Heartiest congratulations to the husky and lusty Army Times on its fourth birthday. Born to serve the fighting man of World War II it is designed to serve long after the duration plus the usual six months. It is a paper to meet the needs of the American soldier as long as there is an American Army—forever.

W. H. H. MORRIS, JR.,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS 42nd (RAINBOW) INFANTRY DIVISION, Camp Gruber, Okla.

I have been an occasional reader of your publication since its inception and a fairly constant reader during the past 18 months.

On the basis of that acquaintanceship, I feel that Army Times is a newspaper which brings the soldier news in which he is especially interested and which he cannot find in such detail elsewhere. At the same time, I have found it a source of useful information about the methods of other commands now in training.

HARRY J. COLLINS,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS 89th INFANTRY DIVISION, Camp Butler, N. C.

The officers and men of the 89th Infantry Division are very happy to extend their congratulations to Army Times upon completion of its fourth year of service to the officers and enlisted men of the Army as well as the "folks back home." Your staff has performed an excellent service not only in carrying the story of their Army to the relatives of men in service but also in constantly demonstrating an understanding of the needs of the men themselves.

You may rest assured that Army Times is welcomed here and widely read each and every week. Your staff should find this anniversary an occasion upon which to contemplate a job well done.

THOMAS D. FINLEY,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

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# Birthday Greetings

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## HEADQUARTERS, 66th INFANTRY DIVISION,

Camp Rucker, Ala.

Officers and men of the 66th Infantry Division extend congratulations to the staff of the Army Times on the occasion of your publication's fourth anniversary, and add best wishes for continued success in your efforts to keep members of the Armed Forces informed on the trend of the news.

The Army Times has contributed much in making the United States Army the best informed in the world and merits the support which is indicated by its increasing circulation.

You are to be complimented for the high standards you have established in the presentation of Army news and the accuracy with which the news is reported and edited. I find the Times interesting, informative, stimulating, and fulfilling the finest traditions of a free press.

H. F. KRAMER,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, SEVENTY-EIGHTH DIVISION,

Camp Pickett, Va.

The Army Times, beginning its fifth year of publication, has done a splendid job in the interest of the Army personnel.

Through its timely stories and pictures, impartially telling the events that have carried us forward in the preceding years, Army Times has contributed to American truth. In doing this, the Army Times has given the individual soldier a broader picture of the war, its men and weapons. It has helped the individual soldier realize that he is an important member of a great team; that he must be physically strong and mentally alert in order to match the hard pace that is ours until final victory is won.

I know that soldiers of the "Lightning" Division read the pages of Army Times with the same sincere interest I have during the past four years.

Congratulations and Best Wishes.

E. P. PARKER, JR.,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, 71st INFANTRY DIVISION,

Fort Benning, Ga.

It gives me the greatest pleasure, as commanding general of the 71st Division, to extend our best wishes to the Army Times for its completion of four most successful years of publication.

Army Times is read by many of us in this division and we find each issue to be extremely interesting and informative, both to our officers and enlisted personnel.

May Army Times continue to render excellent service to our men and women in the armed services, as well as their families back home.

Best wishes for your continued success.

ROBERT L. SPRAGINS,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, THE INFANTRY SCHOOL,

Fort Benning, Ga.

During its four years of publication, I have found the Army Times to be a source of much information about what is happening in the Army.

We of The Infantry School are always anxious to keep posted on what is being done in other branches of the service and in the Infantry itself, and we find the Army Times to be most helpful in keeping us abreast of the latest news and developments. Besides that, it makes very good and entertaining reading.

In wishing the Army Times a happy birthday and a successful future, I can only recommend that it continue along its present policy. It fills a very useful place in our military journalism, one that exists whether we are at war or not.

FRED L. WALKER,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, SEVENTH SERVICE COMMAND,

Omaha 2, Nebr.

From the date of its birth four years ago, Army Times has covered, completely and intelligently, the most momentous events in the history of our Army.

Congratulations and best wishes for long and useful service.

C. H. DANIELSON,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## Officers of Peruvian Army Visit Camp Davis

CAMP DAVIS, N. C.—Four colonels from the Peruvian Army, the first of a group of field officers from Latin-American countries to visit posts in the United States, visited the Antiaircraft Artillery School for two days. It was announced by Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, the commandant.

Upon arrival at Camp Davis, the Peruvian colonels fired the Poloroid Trainer, a device used to instruct machine gunners in tracer control and saves the Government thousands of dollars in ammunition costs. They spent several hours observing the fire control of the 90-mm. and 120-mm. gun (stratosphere gun), night firing of automatic weapons of all types, and classes in the methods of instruction at the AAA School.

## HEADQUARTERS 92nd INFANTRY DIVISION,

Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

It has been a pleasure to be a reader of the Army Times since its inception four years ago. I have always recognized the value of your publication which has established itself throughout the Army as a soldier's newspaper.

From personal experience with our own division newspaper, The Buffalo, I have seen the great part a soldier's publication plays in the morale and training of combat troops. It is my belief that the Army Times serves the same purpose for the entire Army.

On behalf of the officers and men of the 92nd division I offer hearty congratulations on the completion of four years of splendid service and sincere good wishes for continued success.

E. M. ALMOND,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS FIRST SERVICE COMMAND,

Boston 15, Mass.

Congratulations from military personnel in the First Service Command are extended to the Army Times as it starts its fifth year of publication.

Your national weekly newspaper is read with interest in this area.

SHERMAN MILES,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS, SECOND SERVICE COMMAND,

Governors Island, New York 4, N. Y.

The success of any newspaper is measured by its ability to meet the needs of its potential readers.

The fact that "Army Times" enters its fifth year with a circulation of more than 200,000 copies weekly is evidence that it prints the news that men and women of the Army find of real interest.

No greater service can be rendered the men and women of the Army than to keep them accurately and fully informed of events affecting their own lives.

T. A. TERRY,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

## HEADQUARTERS FOURTH SERVICE COMMAND, Atlanta 3, Ga.

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## Mental 4-Fs To Be Given New Exams

WASHINGTON—Cases of all registrants 18 through 25 years who were disqualified because of deficiencies of an educational or mental character are to be reviewed by local Draft Boards with a view to recruiting more men in these age groups, according to a memorandum issued by the Selective Service Administration.

Selective Service revealed through this memorandum that a new series of tests, designed to measure more accurately the scholastic and mental qualifications of draft registrants, has been put into effect. Those passing the new tests would be put in Class 1-A to await a call to service.

Another announcement having to do with military manpower came from the United States Public Health Service, which estimated that more than 250,000 registrants, found unfit for military duty when blood tests indicated the presence of syphilis, had been reclaimed through treatment instigated by Federal agencies and state and local health departments.

The Public Health Service's estimates indicate that about half, or 125,000, of these registrants already had enlisted or been inducted into the armed forces, and that an additional 140,000 were available for service, unless otherwise disqualified.

## Veterans Operate Only Trolley In Strike at Philly

PHILADELPHIA—At the height of the transportation strike in Philadelphia last week, during which all modes of transportation were paralyzed and thousands of war plant workers were unable to reach their jobs, but one trolley was seen to operate.

Ironically, it was manned by two veterans, soldiers who had seen service in World War II.

Although the strike was quickly settled after troops were brought in, GI's found time to express their utter disgust with the situation. One sergeant voiced the sentiments of his comrades when he said:

"Everyone of us guys should be over there killing Nazis, but instead we were brought to Philadelphia ready to fight a lot of mugs, who may not be shooting people but still are doing a damned good job for the Axis."

Production of radar, heavy artillery, heavy ammunition, military trucks, incendiary bombs, flame throwers and other critical supplies vitally needed by the Army was seriously affected in the Philadelphia area by the strike, the War Department announced.

## Will Make Study of Troops Exposed to Tropical Malady

WASHINGTON—Five hundred and twenty-two servicemen who have been exposed to a tropical malady in the South Pacific have arrived in the United States, the War Department announces.

These men have been under observation for filariasis, although the presence of the disease has been established in only a small percentage. They are members of the 134th Field Artillery Battalion. They are now at Camp Atterbury, Ind., where the convalescent facilities of Wakeman General Hospital are available to them.

The condition of none of the men is serious, the War Department said. The men were returned to the United States in accordance with War Department policy of evacuating military personnel from endemic regions after exposure to the disease in order to avoid complications that might develop following prolonged exposure.

Filariasis has been known to exist on islands in parts of the Pacific Ocean for many years, and it has been extensively studied among the natives of the islands. The infection is caused by a microscopic parasite, *Wuchereria bancrofti*, which is



LT. GEN. Ben Lear, right, is at Camp Breckinridge, Ky., making his first field inspection since assuming command of the Army Ground Forces. Alongside General Lear is Col. R. C. Chance, Combat Team Commander, and behind is Maj. Gen. F. B. Prickett, Commanding General of the 75th Infantry Division.

## 'Daddy Pay Day' Real Uncle Sugar To Yanks

FORT MONMOUTH, N. J.—If you ask the Army . . . or the Navy . . . or the Marines on any of those South Pacific islands what visitor they welcomed most, they won't tell you about some movie pin-up girl.

They will tell you about Capt. Harold Eichen, of Rochester, N. Y., newly-arrived Fort Monmouth finance officer, who trekked more than 50,000 miles from island to island with a million dollar money bag in one hand and a loaded revolver in the other to pay the men at the front.

Playing island leap-frog, the captain, trained in Ranger tactics, went ashore at Tarawa a few hours after the invasion. Hundreds of Americans and Japs lay dead on the reefs and along the shore. The battering fire still continued. That was the only time pay day was delayed—but only for a short time.

At another island in the South Pacific, Capt. Eichen landed 90 minutes

after the first invasion wave, set up stand and started paying out more than \$1,200,000 in cash. He's paid men of all the services in Kwajalein, Tarawa, Canton Island, Christmas, Helen, Baker, Funl Futl and many others.

Captain Eichen enlisted in the Army in December, 1935, and was stationed in the Pacific for five years until 1941, when he was commissioned from the ranks at Schofield Barracks in mid-November, 1941. He was there when the Japs attacked.

In February, 1943, he started out from Hawaii on a 13-month trek to pay the GI's. When he would run short of money, he would cable headquarters in Hawaii and the Army would send him a million dollars on the first bomber.

"It was just like a college boy writing home for money," he says. "And they never missed sending the money."

"Money's morale in the Pacific," the captain explains, "even if there sometimes is nowhere to spend it. The service men, however, have a number of games they play. . . ."

"Silver is highly sought. It doesn't wear out as fast as paper, and the coins can be used as chips, often with face value increased by two or three digits. The familiar jingle also reminds them of home. War Bond purchases often run more than 30 per cent of the total payroll."

## German Shellings Rest Periods For Anzio Grid Games

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Lt. Col. Charles D. Wiegand, a veteran battalion commander of the Italian campaign and now chief map-reading instructor in the Infantry School, tells of seeing three football games in progress simultaneously one day on the Anzio beachhead when the unit was in reserve 3,000 yards behind the line.

Suddenly German shells screamed in, and the games melted away. A few minutes later, the shelling having stopped for the moment, forward passes again were flying all over the place, just as though the referee had blown his whistle for time out and then for resuming play. From huddle to foxhole and back to huddle the games continued, the occasional shellings providing rest periods during the games.

## Therapy Does Wonders In Treating 'Upsets'

WASHINGTON—A program of reconditioning designed to prepare neuropsychiatric patients for return to duty as soldiers or return to civilian life in the best possible physical and mental condition is announced by the War Department.

Undertaking of the program on a large scale results from an experiment conducted for several months at an Army hospital which showed that many men with mild forms of mental and emotional maladjustment responded readily to reconditioning therapy and became fit for further service.

Under the plan, men suffering from psychiatric disturbances will participate in carefully organized convalescent activities under the guidance of trained psychiatrists. The schedules will include physical reconditioning and occupational, educational and recreational therapy. Patients will be under military discipline but will be permitted sufficient latitude to pursue as far as possible interests that will be useful in later Army careers or civilian life. They will wear duty uniforms instead of the customary hospital garb.

### Program Is Settling

Experience has shown that the majority of patients with mental

and emotional upsets are benefited by the prompt institution of a planned program which prevents apathy, morbid introspection and preoccupation with somatic (bodily) manifestations of emotional disturbances.

Prolonged hospitalization tends to fix the symptoms rather than alleviate them. In order to achieve the maximum benefit, any patient who has even a remote chance for salvage for additional military service will be given a trial in reconditioning.

At least one hospital in each service command will be designated as a neuropsychiatric reconditioning center. The following already have been selected:

Lovell General Hospital, Fort Devens, Mass.; England General Hospital, Atlantic City, N. J.; Fort Story, Va.; Welch Convalescent Hospital, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Wakeman General Hospital, Camp Atterbury, Ind.; Percy Jones General Hospital, Battle Creek, Mich.; Camp Carson, Colo.; Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; and Mitchell Convalescent Hospital, Camp Lockett, Calif.

Patients returning from overseas will be examined and interviewed by psychiatrists at debarkation hospitals, and if they do not require closed ward care or individual attention, they will be sent to reconditioning centers. Patients from station and regional hospitals in this country which have inadequate facilities also will be sent to the centers.

## Political Angle Bans Two Films

WASHINGTON—Ruling that "Heavenly Days," a Fibber McGee and Molly comedy, and "Wilson," depicting the career of President Wilson contain political propaganda or argument, the Army Selection Board has rejected these films as Government-sponsored entertainment.

This action, it was explained, was in accordance with the Soldiers' Vote Law stipulations.

The board also announced it is compiling lists of "preferential" American newspapers to be made available to all Army posts, these lists not to include more than 15 newspapers for each post. In addition to listed newspapers, soldiers will be permitted to receive newspapers and magazines sent them individually on gift subscriptions and to buy newspapers and magazines off the post.

THE BAZOOKA is said to be the "grandpappy" of several rocket-weapons now used by the Allies.

## Beer Prices Down But Wac Goes On Rich Milk Bender

FOR MEADE, Md.—Quite a contrast in news events was presented by this week's Post, Fort Meade's newspaper.

Under a front page banner, announcement was made that the PX was lousy with surplus funds—\$15,000 in profits—and would liquidate with a dividend to GI's by serving huge 14-ounce glasses of draught beer at a reduction in price from 10 cents to 5 cents.

Under a two-column head announcing that T/4 Dorothy H. Denius was home from her 18 months of Wac duties in North Africa, the Post said: "Wac Goes On Milk Bender After Return From Overseas."



—Pct. Chas. Cartwright, ASFTC, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.  
"Hold it a minute, mother—here comes great-grandfather!"



# Colonel Just Loves To Battle

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—"What happened today, Horn?"

There's a question Pfc. Duane C. Horn, of Cedar Falls, Ia., always has a flock of exciting answers for when his buddies query him over a pot of coffee at the end of a battle day. That's because Horn is peep driver for the "Kill 'em" colonel.

Private Horn's passenger is Col. William H. Schildroth, regimental commander in the famed 34th "Red Bull" Infantry Division.

The 44-year-old colonel, whose dark eyes sparkle at the prospect of a fight, likes to be where his men are. "Let's get going, let's go up to the front," is his customary order to Private Horn as he jumps into the bantam vehicle. Stories about the peripatetic cigar-smoking commander and his youthful enthusiasm for combat grow daily. At bull sessions his troops vie with one another in recounting his daring ventures.

On July 10, Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Fifth Army commander, pinned the Distinguished Service Cross on Colonel Schildroth for heroism in "exposing himself to heavy enemy fire near Lanuvio, Italy, to coordinate a vital attack of tanks and infantry on May 31."

## Good Beginning

"That," commented Private Horn, who himself holds the Combat Infantry Badge for exemplary conduct in action, "is a good beginning. Here's what happened:

"We were at the regimental observation post 500 yards from the front. Our troops were attacking. The colonel saw that the tanks were not in a good spot to give support to our men, so he said, 'Let's go down there.' We drove down the road under direct enemy observation. The Krauts kept throwing shells in all around us. Colonel Schildroth got out of the peep, strode right up to the tanks, which were ahead of the infantry then, and directed them into the proper position.

"When he was satisfied that the assault was going all right again, we started back by the route. But the shelling became so hot that I changed to another road, and they began pasting that. We made it back, though. And our men took their objective."

Twenty-nine-year-old Horn, an Iowa National Guardsman who has been overseas since January, 1942, thinks his chief is quite a guy.

"Lots of times he goes forward during the attacks in full view of the Germans. He just doesn't seem to worry about enemy fire. He walks right out into it. There's only one thing he's concerned about, and that is getting the attack going. And killing Germans."

The colonel is constantly "on the go and get'em," as one of his admiring men expresses it. During a visit to a forward observation post recently, his keen eyes spotted several Jerries in a camouflaged dug-out. Getting hold of a machine gun, he whoopingly peppered away at them. He's sure he knocked at least one Kraut into oblivion. Another time he and a 34th Division major and Private Horn were bowling along a

road near the front lines when a sniper took a pot-shot at them. Quickly Colonel Schildroth had Private Horn park the peep off the road. The vehicle was equipped with a .50 caliber machine gun. The "Kill 'em" colonel manned the gun and silenced the sniper with a few well aimed bursts.

"One afternoon," recalled Private Horn, "the skipper learned that for some reason our attacking companies had slowed up on the top of a knoll in a wheatfield. He jumped into the peep and we sped down the highway, pacing assault-gun fire all the way. We jogged across the field and then the colonel walked up to the crest of the knoll where the troops were. Machine gun bullets were cutting the wheat at his feet, pinning down the doughboys. Jerry shells were exploding right in the area. The colonel stood up all the

time in front of his men. He inspired them, all right, and it wasn't long before they got going again.

## Under Heavy Fire

"On the way back we drew plenty of fire, too. I had to drive like hell to keep ahead of the shells. The next day we discovered a Kraut machine gun nest about 200 yards from where the skipper had been talking to the troops."

The fighting colonel was born in Belleville, Ill., and attended Catholic University of America before entering the United States Military Academy in 1918. Graduating in 1922, he has risen steadily in his country's service. He became a first lieutenant in 1927, a captain in 1936, and a major in 1940. In 1941, immediately after the event of Pearl Harbor, he was named lieutenant colonel. Promotion to a full colonelcy followed in January, 1943.

## Ride Nazi Horses For Round-Up Of German Prisoners

A U. S. ARMY HOSPITAL IN ENGLAND—Pvt. Harry Kain of Steubenville, O., paratrooper of the 101st Airborne Division, parachuted out over France at 1:13 a. m. on D-Day, to be greeted by a thundering barrage of German gunfire.

"They hit some of our boys before they even got out of their parachutes, but we soon got organized and blew up a house across a creek which turned out to be a headquarters filled with Germans," he said.

"As we were advancing on Carentan we shot up a Nazi cavalry unit and took some 30 of their horses. They were all set for riding, with fine leather saddles. We used some of them to round up prisoners and snipers, but we used them primarily to haul ammunition. They helped out a lot for they carried heavy guns up to one side of Carentan as we blasted the Jerries out the other side. It sure seemed strange for me to be riding a horse into battle, after all those months of parachute jumping.

## Fruit Picking Beats KP for AAF Trainees

YPSILANTI, Mich.—Fruit-picking by military personnel at the AAF Training Command's aviation mechanics' school, Willow Run, is saving the installation \$1,000 a month in food supplies.

The soldiers, who volunteer for the work in preference to less pleasant chores (such as KP), are transported several times a week to cherry, apple and peach orchards located in a 40-acre area about seven miles north of the air base.

Since the property is part of a Government housing project, the Army is, of course, permitted to gather all the fruit it can, without charge.

## Men Put Through PT Tests But Are Victims Of Phony

FOURTH FERRYING GROUP, Tenn.—The guy who sold the Brooklyn Bridge is loose on this Base. He's an enlisted man and sometimes poses as a physical fitness instructor. That, at least, is the contention of a half dozen officers and three or four EM who have aching muscles and creaking joints, but no signed affidavits, to prove they were the victims of a hoax.

The hoax came to light at the regular quarterly physical fitness tests when officers and enlisted men protested they had taken the tests some 10 days ago. They said they were fooling around the athletic area when they were approached by a GI in gym outfit and told they could go through the work and would be mailed their cards.

The victims described their instructor, but this did not fit any of the regular PT men. And it was disclosed no authorized tests had been given in three months and there were no official card records to show given tests. Therefore, they were put through the regular paces.

Officers and men concluded they had been victims of a "phony," one who doubtless had got a great kick out of putting them through their grinds in an exceptionally rough way.

## Army-Navy "E" Award To Dayton Racquet Co.

ARCANUM, O.—Before the war, Dayton Racquet Company, Inc., was noted for the excellence of its steel racquets for tennis, badminton and squash.

But, soon after Pearl Harbor, the firm went out of the racquet business and went into production of war equipment.

That it continued its excellence in production was attested when the company was presented the Army-Navy "E" award, the flag being raised over the plant by R. B. Munday, president of the Dayton Racquet Company.

## Can Saves Man

WITH THE 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION IN FRANCE—S/Sgt. Ted W. O. Overholster, of North Manchester, Ind., had a cigarette can of flat fifties in his breast pocket one moment. The next moment, a mortar shell reduced them to short fifties.

The shell fragments tore thru his field jacket, struck the cigarette tin in his shirt and cut it neatly in half.

The sergeant was uninjured and in the heat of the battle did not learn of the incident until he reached for a cigarette later.

## Three Invasion Units Are Given Decoration

FIRST UNITED STATES ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Normandy—Three United States Army units, the Eighty-first Chemical Battalion, the 146th Engineer Combat Battalion and the Eighth Infantry Regiment of the Fourth Division, have received Presidential unit citations for their D-Day accomplishments on the beaches of Normandy.

## What's Wrong With This Picture?



Courtesy Checkerboard, Camp Maxey, Tex. HERE is a clearing station somewhere in France receiving wounded from the front lines preparatory to their being sent to the hospital in the rear. Can you find the serious mistakes being made before checking the answers on this page?

## Stilwell Saves Major In Battle Of 'Brass

HEADQUARTERS, C-B-1 AIR SERVICE COMMAND—The "Battle (non-combat) of India" has many parts and counterparts. This little true story that follows is of the "close shave" of a major attached to the ASC Air Engineers at a CBI base:

The phone rang in the major's office and he learned that a plane with "heavy brass" was landing soon. His mission: Get all the available transportation possible and proceed to the airport. That he did. His convoy consisted of a Buick station wagon in excellent condition and four vehicles of doubtful vintage, but battered and a sharp contrast to the swank Buick. (This is no advt.)

As he arrived at the Operations shed, a plane came in. Maj. Gen. "A" and party alighted. They required only two vehicles to proceed to "X." The burra sahib and party looked over the vehicles and then proceeded to the snack bar for coffee.

Not more than two minutes passed when a second plane came in, delivering (who said "it can't happen here") Maj. Gen. "B" and party. The two-star looked over the same convoy of transportation, beamed for a minute on the station wagon, proceeded to the snack bar for coffee.

### Major Just Squirts

The phone conversation gave no names. Which was which, who was who? The major's face showed a troubled squint. There was no doubt that each two-star was confident that the station wagon was his chariot-to-be. What to do? Should the Generals flip a coin? Nain, sahib nain! The major was visioning some remote base in China where

an Officers' Club is just wishful thinking and the comforts of home are—missing. He remembered nothing being said in the official "Officers' Guide" except yielding to seniority in rank. But he couldn't go and ask each General his date of rank. Invisible, but yet it was there, sweat poured from the major.

There was a bit of distraction on the field and he noticed that a transport had landed, so he hustled out to the apron again and there alighted an officer with a campaign hat.

"Stillwell's the name, do you have any transportation I can use to go to Z?"

Allah be praised! The major had the station wagon wheeled up jaldi and the Theater Commander and his party took off.

Two minutes later the major was explaining to two major generals about the disappearance of the Buick:

"Sirs, you were outranked!" The motors of the battered vehicles coughed—and the generals and their parties took off. The major, thumbing his way back to camp, was amused. It wasn't like Times Square, where you whistled and a taxi rolled up at your feet.

### Picture Puzzle Answers

1. None of the wounded is lagged as the case is lagged, so that the various men to handle him know what to do. 2. One of the wounded is lagged as the case is lagged, so that the various men to handle him know what to do. 3. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 4. A 50-cal. AA gun has been set up in the background. This is probably the most serious error of all. No medic should be placed near any place that is likely to be placed near the background. 5. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 6. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 7. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 8. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 9. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later. 10. The wounded are lying in the sun: to invite trouble sooner or later.

## Colonel O'Dwyer Named For Brigadier General

WASHINGTON—The White House announces that the Senate has received from the President recommendation that Col. William O'Dwyer, AUS, be given temporary promotion to the rank of brigadier general, AUS.

Colonel O'Dwyer is in Italy where he has been placed in charge of the economic section of the Allied Control Commission for Italy.



CONGRATULATIONS are extended by Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, Commanding General of the Fifth Army, to Lt. Roland J. Gagnon, of the 34th Division, and two of his men, Japanese-Americans of the 442nd Regiment, for their splendid assault on Leghorn, Italy, which was captured by this Division.

—Signal Corps Photo



## Aviation Trainee Sets New 25-mile Hike Mark



**BUDDIES ASSIST NEW CHAMPION**  
Made 25-Mile Hike in 3 Hrs., 57 Mins.

GREENVILLE, Miss.—The long reign of ground forces troops in 25-mile-hike records was halted at this Army Air Field when George Waterhouse, of Melden, Mass., aviation trainee, hung up a new record of 3 hours and 57 minutes.

The new record slashed 1 minute 35 seconds from the mark established

some weeks ago by M/Sgt. Gordon Franks, of the 100th Division at Fort Bragg, whose time was 3 hours 58 minutes and 35 seconds. This was the fifth time in four months that a new record was established, the GI hike competition having assumed national color in April when Pfc. Clarence Blackcloud, of the 20th Armored Division, started the ball rolling with an original time of 5 hours 12 minutes.

Waterhouse, wearing a full pack, steel helmet, leggings, GI shoes, gun belt and carrying a carbine, began his trek at 5:30 a. m. and completed it at exactly 9:27.

Over seven miles of the march was under the handicap of an unexpected and roaring storm which was followed by torrential rains that completely soaked the new champ, adding weight to his garb, and slowing his stride. Witnesses believed he would have racked up a 3½-hour record under normal conditions.

In pre-induction days Waterhouse finished second in the national 20-kilometer (1943), third in the national meter cross-country (1943) and fourth in the New England championship 20-mile marathon the same year. He hopes to snare the Olympic 10,000-meter crown soon after the duration plus six.

## DUKW Truck Men Were Turned Out At Camp Johnston

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON, Fla. It is with pardonable pride Gordon Johnston soldiers learn from the big wire services and from the radio the perfection of the DUKW's performance on the beachheads from Normandy far-flung Pacific outposts, for at Gordon Johnston is located the Army's first and only school in the operation of the DUKW, famed 2½-ton amphibious truck.

This school, inaugurated here seven months ago, has produced a good share of the trained DUKW men now operating on the various fronts. Prior to the opening of the Gordon Johnston school, the Detroit General Motors Corporation school was the only one functioning.

To set up this Army DUKW school, 19 men from here were dispatched post-haste to the GMC school for a condensed course to aid them in setting up a similar school for GIs here. In a tremendous achievement these men did just that immediately upon their return from Detroit and in February the first class entered the doors, ready for instruction in the repair and operation of the amphibian.

Today, in a concentrated month's course, students swarm all over the trucks, tearing them down, rebuilding them and repairing the broken ones. In between times the neophyte drives the DUKW in all sorts of weather and under all conditions so that when he graduates from the course he is a thoroughgoing DUKW man.

DUKW repair men are important because the DUKW is important—it is one of the first targets for concentrated enemy beachhead fire.

### General Given Merit Award

HEADQUARTERS, ALASKAN DEPARTMENT—Award of the Legion of Merit to Brig. Gen. Robert V. Ignico of Lexington, Va., commander of the 11th Air Force Service Command, for performance of outstanding service in manning and equipping the bases used by the 11th Air Force in Alaska and the Aleutians was announced recently at Alaskan Department headquarters.

## Army Ground Forces News

HEADQUARTERS, Army Ground Forces—Lt. Gen. James Warner Bellah, INF, in civilian life a prominent novelist and contributor to American and European magazines, has been assigned to the Ground Special Information Section, it was announced here today by the Army Ground Forces headquarters of Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, Army War College.

Colonel Bellah, native of New York City and a graduate of Columbia University in 1923 with an A. B. degree, was commissioned a second lieutenant in 1936. He attended the Command and General Staff School, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., in 1942, and again in 1943.

Previous Army assignments include the 16th Infantry in 1939; 1st Infantry Division, 1941-1943; 80th Infantry Division, 1943, and Headquarters, Southeast Asia Command, in 1944.

General Lear spent two days at the Armored Center, Fort Knox, Ky., conferring with senior officers of his command. The general held conferences with 26 general officers of AGF.

General Lear likewise attended several meetings of the second conference of senior officers of armored divisions, which was being held at Fort Knox at the time of his visit.

Present at AGF headquarters for conference purposes recently were Col. Walter R. Goodrich, former anti-aircraft representative on the Army Ground Forces Observer Board in the European Theater of Operations, and Col. Edwin Hartshorn, Jr., FA, who served as an observer in the same theater.

A conference covering methods of making terrain models from air photographs and maps was held August 3. Speakers were Capt. Vincent B. Januska, Field Artillery School, and Capt. Francis E. Callaway, Armored School.

HEADQUARTERS, Cavalry School—Col. Thomas W. Herren, commandant of the Cavalry School, visited Fort Knox, Ky., and Camp Hood, Tex., last week to witness demonstrations.

1st Lt. William B. Gunter, a platoon leader and executive officer of a cavalry reconnaissance troop in North Africa, Sicily and Italy, was assigned to the Department of Tactics as an instructor. He left Italy in May, and joined the faculty here after a leave.

Harold T. Diehl, engineering representative of the Cadillac Motor Car division of General Motors Corporation, commended instruction methods in the tank maintenance school of the Motors Department, where tank mechanics are trained in four weeks. He visited classes and conferred with instructors on an inspection trip to the school, and was particularly enthusiastic about the visual aids and cutaway models in use. "You can hardly tell any difference between the shops here and the shops at Flint, Mich., where we make the final adjustments on tanks after they have been road tested," he declared.

## Airedale-Sized Brownie Is Good GI Until 'Woman' Crosses Path

WITH THE 37TH INFANTRY DIVISION SOMEWHERE IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA—Brownie was going great as a veteran front-line soldier until a "woman" came into his life causing him to desert his post, thereby reducing him to the status of an ordinary dog instead of a pampered Army mascot.

Tan-colored, airedale-sized Brownie has had only three loves during his year-old life in the Pacific, but the latest brought out his fickle streak and caused him to "go wrong."

First, as a pup he was devoted to T/Sgt. Paul E. Tanner, Elgin, Ind., in the New Hebrides; then to Sgt. Raleigh F. Martin, Suffolk, Va., on Guadalcanal.

Sometimes Brownie would voluntarily accompany soldiers patrolling beyond the front lines. In March when Tojo's warriors assaulted Hill 129 Brownie was with Martin as a perimeter guard around a regimental command post. He knew when to jump for the dugout in the daytime, to be quiet at night and remain in the foxhole listening for Japs who might try to sneak through the lines.

He was becoming a veteran front-line soldier, even to the extent of eating "C" rations.

Then lightning struck: Brownie

accompanied a swimming detail to the beach one day. There he spied an attractive little number and from then on he was on the downgrade. He deserted his place in Martin's dugout and moved to a rear area to be near his lady love.

Once in a while he returns for a short "visit" with Martin but it is evident he has declined the mascot's throne and chooses to live in obscurity with his present true love.

Martin and Tanner? They just carry him in their books as a "deserter in the face of the enemy."

## It's Queer War!

CAMP GORDON JOHNSTON, Fla.—"Old Soldiers Never Die" but they might turn over a couple of times at hearing the news where a Gob has been elected to the Non-Commissioned Officers' Club Board of Governors.

The sailor, Coast Guardsman Boatswain's Mate 2/c Robert Freim, Shrewsbury, N. J., is teaching Harbor Craft soldiers the whys and wherefores of small boat work at this Army Service Forces Training Center.

HEADQUARTERS, Armored Center—Maj. Gen. William H. Morris, Jr., has been named commanding general of the 10th Armored Division to succeed the late Maj. Gen. Paul W. Newgarden, who was killed in a recent airplane crash. General Morris, who assumed his new post July 25, had been in command of the XVIII Corps. A graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., he commanded an infantry battalion in the St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne offensives in the first World War.

Latest on the long list of new and improved weapons to be used on world battlefronts is the tank-mounted flame thrower, recently seen in action against the Japanese on Saipan. An important feature of the new weapon is that it gives armored protection to personnel against the effects of small arms.

Armored amphibian units recently underwent a formal inspection at Monterey Bay, Calif., passing in review before Maj. Gen. John Millikin, III Corps commander.

HEADQUARTERS, Armored School—The second conference for senior officers of armored divisions was concluded here July 28. Conferences on the latest developments in armored warfare, demonstrations and practical work in gunnery, tank tactics, maintenance and communications filled out a busy five-day schedule. Half of the concentrated course was devoted to tank gunnery.

HEADQUARTERS, Tank Destroyer Center—An Army and Corps Commanders' conference, directed by headquarters, Army Ground Forces, was held at Camp Hood on July 29. The program was presented by the Tank Destroyer School and the Tank Destroyer Board. Two reviews by composite troops from Fourth Army, XXIII Corps, and the Tank Destroyer Center were held for Lt. Gen. Ben Lear, commanding general of AGF, on Friday, July 28.

The conference group was attended by General Lear, Maj. Gen. H. F. Hazlett, commanding general, Replacement and School Command; and all corps commanders and members of their staffs, as well as the commanding general, Armored Center, and the commandants of the Infantry and Cavalry Schools.

HEADQUARTERS, Airborne Center—A class of task force staff officers attended a course on airborne orientation at this headquarters last week. The instruction covered all phases of airborne training, including organization and doctrine, lectures and training films on airborne operations, demonstrations of parachute jumps, glider loading and lashing and tactical glider flights.

Gen. Robert S. K. Lim, surgeon general of the Chinese Army, visited here and inspected airborne medical facilities. General Lim also attended several lectures at the school for the task force officers, which was being conducted at the time of his visit.

HEADQUARTERS, Antiaircraft Command—Maj. Gen. Homer R. Oldfield, USA, special assistant for anti-aircraft to the commanding general, Army Air Forces, and Brig. Gen. Rupert E. Starr, USA, antiaircraft artillery liaison officer, headquarters, Army Ground Forces, visited this headquarters last week to confer with Maj. Gen. Joseph A. Green, USA, commanding general, antiaircraft command.

Brig. Gen. Bryan L. Milburn, commandant of the Antiaircraft Artillery School, and Col. F. E. Gross, CAC, president of the Antiaircraft Artillery Board, visited this headquarters last week to confer on antiaircraft matters. Col. Karl S. Axtater, AC, Air Force liaison officer at the Antiaircraft Artillery School, accompanied General Milburn.

HEADQUARTERS, Antiaircraft Artillery School—Among the recent visitors to the Antiaircraft Artillery School were four Peruvian officers: Col. Enrique Vasquez, director of Army Ordnance; Col. Manuel Odria, subdirector of the Command and General Staff School in Lima; Col. Leopoldo Jarrin, G-3 for the Peruvian General Staff, and Col. Antonio Luna, director of the Infantry School.

## Col. D. C. McNair, Late General's Son, Dies at Guam

WASHINGTON — The death at Guam of Col. Douglas C. McNair, son of the late Lt. Gen. Lesley J. McNair, who was killed in Normandy on July 25 was announced by the War Department this week.

Colonel McNair was 37. No details of the cause of death were given.

Colonel McNair was an artillery officer who pioneered with Maj. Gen. A. D. Bruce, commander of the 77th Division, to which he was attached, in the development of tank destroyer techniques.

He served at the Tank Destroyer School at Camp Hood, Tex., and accompanied General Bruce when the 77th Division went to Guam. He had graduated from West Point in 1928 and was promoted to colonel last December. He was considered a brilliant officer with a military future as promising as that achieved by his father.

## GI Whirl

By Joe Wilson



"I guess Herr Schmidt is resigning."





**BRINGS WAR PICTURE HOME**  
Overlay Map Illustrates Land Distances  
20th Armd. Div. Photo

## Overlay Map Shows Task Facing Allies

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—Surging American troops have now driven into Tennessee, the map shows. A United States overlay is shown on the map of Europe with Camp Campbell, Ky., centered over it.

graphically illustrate the land distances involved on the European fronts and to emphasize the hot spots. Hitler and his coterie of Nazi mahirits are now in, 20th Armored Division Trains headquarters men have drawn a scaled map of the United States and placed over the map of embattled Europe.

The sound of Allied and Russian driving on Berlin has been brought closer to 20th Armored Division soldiers as the map overlay of Camp Campbell on the Nazi map, the goal of all offensives.

superimposing one map upon another, the combined maps tell the story:

Allied beachhead now extends

## Region Gets New High in Members

INDIANAPOLIS—With 46 of 58 members reporting all time high, the 144 national membership of the American Legion soared to a record of 1,388,138 on July 27.

It represented a gain of 245,587 on July 27, 1943. There is every basis for estimating that by December 31 the national enrollment of the American Legion for 1944 will exceed 1,450,000 members, said Assistant National Adjutant Henry H. Dudley, in charge of all membership activities. A gratifying aspect is the mass enrollment of World War II veterans in the American Legion. It augurs well for a future in which Legion membership may climb into millions.

## Aviation Pilot Trainees Return to Civil Life

WASHINGTON—Approximately 90 percent of the 3,122 enlisted men eligible for discharges from the civilian pilot training program will be released to civil life at their own request, it was announced by the War Department this week.

When it was ascertained that the Army had a surplus of instructors, men had the option of returning to civilian life or remaining as enlisted technicians in the Air Forces. This option was offered because the men volunteered for specific training. It was felt, the department said, "those volunteers who so desired should be returned to their former status and be subject to normal induction processes."

The option applies to 3,122 of the former trainees. Of those not eligible for discharges, 1,529 have been assigned for aviation cadet or glider training.

## Negro Signalmen Face Fury Of Monsoon in Building Lines

**ALONG THE LEDO ROAD**—The husky, laughing Signal Corps soldier leaped from their truck, attached their safety belts and climbers and ascended the pole with rhythmic ease.

It was just another day for these men of a Negro Signal Corps Construction Battalion, extending vital communications lines along the Ledo Road in northern Burma.

But the black-haired, barefoot Kachins, who stood open-mouthed, gazing, ignorant of the significance of the work, did know that it was an unmistakable sign of a land being freed from Japanese treachery and oppression.

It meant that telephone and telegraph communications were being carried forward to help Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's Chinese and American troops push back the invading Japs, so that the famous Ledo Road could be connected with the old Burma Road, to open a vital life line to beleaguered China.

Constructing a main communication circuit these Negro soldiers are facing the fury of the Burma monsoon, resolved to do the job ahead of schedule, despite the terrifying obstacles. Oppressive, weakening heat, breath-taking humidity; tough, thick, animal infested jungles, snakes, insects and endless maddening rain.

The soldiers have discovered many short cuts and "tricks of the trade" to speed up the work. At one spot, poles had to be carried 350 feet from the road into dense, solid jungle.

Brown, black and nondescript leeches attached themselves to the men by the hundreds. It became a painful job to burn them off with

## Put His Strad. In Safe Place, But Left Heifetz Alone

NEW YORK—Jascha Heifetz, world-famed violinist, who has just returned from a trip to Italy, where he played for servicemen, says that at least 70 per cent, and probably 80 per cent, of the GIs who heard him like serious music.

Mr. Heifetz played 42 concerts during the past two months. "I know they liked what they heard," he says of the soldier audiences, "because they didn't walk out. When I was about to begin a long piece I often told them that if they wanted to leave it would be a good time. But they didn't."

The violinist played as close as four miles from the battle front and remembers one occasion when enemy guns went into action. Some of the men got hold of his valuable Stradivarius violin and hid it under the truck which was serving as a platform. Then they dove into various shelters. "Nobody thought to toss me under the truck, I guess," he said. "I just stood there watching the show."



—Signal Corps Photo  
**CHARLIE** McCarthy, dapper little chap from Hollywood, and his boss, Edgar Bergen, were on hand when the First Service Command's new Women's Army Corps, "Everything for the Girls," was broadcast in Boston. Charlie went daffy over petite WAC Sgt. Virginia (Jinnie) Rich and spent much time in sweet whisperings.

## Veteran Skobbeko Gets His Coal

NEW YORK—Veteran Paul Skobbeko finally gets his coal.

When he was discharged from the Army last September for disability, Skobbeko asked the Solid Fuels Administration for an allotment of coal so that he might resume the business in Astoria, Queens, he had left when he entered the Army. Since he had not been in business through 1942, the year on which tonnage allotments were based, he was unable to get his supply.

Through intercession of the American Legion he has now received an allotment of 3,200 tons per year. Walter J. Dockerill, regional representative of the SFA, explained that regulations had been amended to take care of the cases of small dealers such as this one.

THE first Air Force plane, for many years stored in the Smithsonian Institution, was removed for safety to a secret storage place during the duration.



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FRENCH mademoiselle presents U. S. Army tank crew members with flowers in appreciation of the liberation of the town of Avranches, France. Recipient of the bouquet is the envy of his comrades.

## Toughened Soldiers Become Kids Again; Play Marbles

BOUGAINVILLE—The group of American toughened soldiers stood in a circle, on Bougainville. They all stared intensely at the helpless objects lying within the circle. As one, they all turned to a small dark-haired soldier and by nodding they signified, "You." The dark haired

soldier gulped, bent down nervously, eyed the objects carefully, gulped again, and slowly taking aim, fired. His all-glass, flawless, super color marble shot speedily along the ground and crashed into the group of marbles in the center. Three flew outside the circumference mark. The shooter relaxed and the others shouted in admiration.

Immies, marbles, agots, call it what you like, but some soldiers are playing it on Bougainville. Starved for entertainment, the boys try everything once, and marbles is the fashion now. Challenges to all comers.

The fad is young yet, but with its growing popularity will probably evolve tournaments and steep competition as is the way with all sports on this island. Who will be the Marble King of Bougainville?

## Artist-Soldiers Are Lauded for Paintings

FORT BRAGG, N. C.—Amid the heavy training of the 100th Division here, artist-soldiers found time in off-duty hours to turn out some 30 paintings which were exhibited recently in the division's annual week-long art show at its Service Club.

Maj. Gen. Withers Burrell, 100th Division commander, after a judging by two civilian artists of Fayetteville, N. C., presented awards to two prize winners.

First prize went to Pvt. Aldo Rubano, of Company F, 398 Infantry, Bronx, N. Y. and second prize to Pvt. Walter Lukianovich, of Company A, 325th Engineer Battalion, New York City.

Three other pieces were cited for honorable mention: "Portrait of a Soldier," by Pvt. Robert Sowers, Regimental Headquarters Company, 399th Infantry; "Mallards," by S/Sgt. William E. Stoddard, Company F, 398th Infantry, and "Hills of Tennessee," also by Private Rubano.

Most of the work was prepared in the Century Division's Art Center, where the division Special Service Office has supplied art canvasses, paints and easels.

## Like Yank Cigs

CAMP BRECKINRIDGE, Ky.—"Heinie is tough but will give up when beaten. He comes out with his hands up and the first thing he does is to try to bum a cigaret off you," declares Pfc. Wilbur Worden, who fought with the 34th Division in Africa and Italy.



COMPLETELY demolished Nazi tank is pushed off the road in the St. Giles area, France, by U. S. Army bulldozers engaged in clearing up bombed territory.

## In For The Duration

# Discharged War K-9 Won't Quit

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—The problem for "Governor," Dalmatian war dog who has just received his honorable discharge, is how to go about being a civilian again when his whole life is tied up irrevocably with the war.

The best years of his life—half of the three years he's lived to date—already have been spent in the Army, so naturally he feels more at home in a GI atmosphere than he would back in comfortable Norristown, Pa.

Nevertheless, it was surprising to his master, Pvt. Charles Robert Morris, formerly of Norristown, when "Governor" got his discharge at the War Dog Reception and Training Center, Fort Robinson, Neb., and then there indicated an outspoken preference for staying in GI surroundings as mascot for his owner's company, a unit of Central Signal Corps School here, rather than seek out the joys and freedom of civilian life again.

Reversed Orientation  
"Governor's" last six weeks at Fort Robinson had been spent in training for just such a transition to strange and unfettered surroundings free of Army inhibitions—taking the Army's orientation program in reverse—and apparently the dog psychologists succeeded in ridding him of any ruthlessness he might have been taught in preparation for his work as a sentry.

Now, as a mascot for uniformed men, he strides around the company area, lean and strong, with the easy confidence of the battle veteran who has met and conquered all the things he once may have feared. There are none of the marks of the tired old soldier. His three years put him in the prime of a war dog's life.

Broad bands of muscle bulge on his haunches. He moves about eagerly, his big head held high and alert.

He strains at the leash with which Morris keeps him tied at the orderly room, and has a non-committal attitude toward soldiers—not unfriendly, but cautious, as if he didn't want to make friends until he is sure who his real friends are. He obeys a few elemental commands quickly, and Morris has noticed that the deep bass bark with which he used to disturb the neighborhood back at his former home has altered in tone and become a softer but urgent alarm.

### Honorably Discharged

In addition to his honorable discharge, completely legal and printed in the Army's best official style, "Governor" had a Certificate of Faithful Service, showing he'd done a good job for 18 months as a sentry. There wasn't anything to show whether or not he'd been overseas, and "Governor," being a Dalmatian and a veteran, didn't talk too much about his experiences.

Yes, the war had changed "Governor" a lot. He hadn't always been so quiet.

"And you'd think," said Morris, "that an old soldier who'd been told his job was done would make the most of being a civilian again. A handsome dog like a Dalmatian might have it pretty easy back at Norristown. But you see the war has only strengthened his old loyalties. I'm his master and I'm still in uniform. So he wants to stick around."

Morris' dog was just a pup when he went to the war dog induction center at the Widner Estate, Elkins Park, Pa., got his dog tags and serial

number, and stood in line with other dogs of police dogs and Labrador retrievers for his first Army ration. But the accent's on "now" in the armed forces, and a half in service is a long by a dog's reckoning. An old dog can step aside when they tell him to, but he's glad he has an Army job to do.

## Hitler Gains 'New Confidence' From Officers' Revolt

LONDON—Speaking regarding an attempt on his life on July 20, Adolf Hitler told his officials that one of the things he had realized was that he had been most beneficial for the whole German future since it made it possible to eliminate the "criminal clique" which up to now had not been uncovered.

Hitler asserted that since July 20 he had "gained a confidence" which he never had before, and that he was now able to carry on the struggle better than anyone else who might lead the German people.

"I believe that I am necessary to the nation, that it needs a man who will under no circumstances compromise," Hitler was quoted as saying.

## Maj. J. H. Bagley Given Complimentary Scroll

WASHINGTON—Maj. John H. Bagley, Jr., of the Requirements Branch, Supply Division, of the Department, left recently to take charge of Topo supply work at Granite City Engineer Depot.

Previous to leaving his office was presented one morning by friends in the office of the Chief Engineers with a handsome scroll in colors, done by an architect of the division, and depicting a dramatic view of the Capitol from steps of the Lincoln Memorial. The scroll, 36 by 18 inches, had 168 signatures of Major Bagley's Washington associates on either side of drawing, with a complimentary inscription at the bottom.

## Promises Jobs Equal Or Better Than, Original

PITTSBURGH—Jobs equal to or better than, those held before entering the services have been promised to 5,000 former employees in the armed forces by the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company.

H. B. Higgins, company president, sent a letter to the servicemen, and families and department superintendents in which he said: "The company pledges a broad policy of reemployment influenced by the most conscientiousness in placing men where they can best serve themselves and the company—beyond all legal requirements."

GEN. H. H. Arnold, Commander General of the U. S. Air Force, the 14th student assigned for training when the rank of mill aviator was established.

## Thunderbolt Anniversary To Be Honored By Picture Stars

CAMP COOKE, Calif.—Its period of final "polishing up" ending, the Eleventh Armored Division, separated by 2,000 miles, four duty stations and two maneuvers from the site of its inception, will celebrate the second anniversary of its activation Tuesday, August 15, preparatory to tackling whatever combat missions may await the Thunderbolt.

The party will be climaxed by a huge Hollywood all-star show in Camp Cooke's Sports Arena. Well-known stars whose appearance before the Thunderbolt audience has been arranged definitely include Dennis Morgan and Edgar Kennedy, screen comedians; George Murphy, popular screen and musical comedy dancer; Hoot Gibson, probably the best known of "Western" heroes; Chick York and Rose King, a well known comedy team, and Jimmy Fidler, Hollywood impresario and press agent, who will be master of ceremonies.

Brig. Gen. Charles S. Kilburn, Thunderbolt commanding general, has contributed several suggestions to the division anniversary committee and once the completed plans for the observance have been presented to him and approved, announcement of the program of events for Anniversary Day will be made. Tentatively, the committee is con-

sidering a series of competitive sports events, to be run off by personnel of the various division units during the afternoon.

## Wac Officers Taking Civil Affairs Class

WASHINGTON—The United States Army School of Military Government has been opened for the first time to members of the Women's Army Corps, the War Department announces. Four WAC officers were selected for a Far Eastern Civil Affairs class now under way at Charlottesville, Va.

Other women will be chosen for similar classes beginning in September, November, January, and February until 20 WAC officers have Army civil affairs training. Six weeks at the school in Charlottesville is followed with from six to nine months' study at a university designated by the Provost Marshal General's offices. In addition to Yale University, the University of Michigan, and the University of Chicago, three other universities have been added to the list of those which will be used in the program. They are: Harvard University, Northwestern University, and Stanford University.

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## Glasses Are Supplied In Battle Heat

FORT SAM HOUSTON, Tex.—If, in the heat of battle, GI Joe should suddenly find themselves with shattered lenses, they won't have far to look to find someone ready to come to their assistance.

This is assured through the operation of the optical section of medical depot companies, which simply will get to work on the eyeglass prescription on Joe's service record, which accompanies him wherever he goes.

One such optical section is that of the 35th Medical Depot Company now in training at Fort Sam Houston. The company is commanded by Maj. Stanley Darling, with First Lt. McKee S. Pfefferle as optical officer.

The mobility which enables the unit to function anywhere from base supply depots in rear echelons right up to forward areas in the combat zone is provided through use of an optical truck and two jeeps. The truck is equipped with an ophthalmic laboratory carrying a three-month supply of materials. Each jeep is supplied with field chests containing a portable unit and materials sufficient for three days.

All lenses carried are "stock" lenses, already in finished form. The assortment has been so selected that 95 per cent of all prescriptions can be filled from stock. Surface grinding equipment is provided on the mobile truck so that stock lenses may be altered to afford accurate prescriptions for the remaining 5 per cent.

## No Easy Touch

FORT SILL, Okla.—When Pvt. Joseph Drutz was inducted into the Army at Worcester, Mass., he sold his floor covering business for \$45,000 and has since received additional thousands from outstanding accounts.

But there's no use in GI's lining up for "a touch." Private Drutz has put every dime in War Bonds—\$67,000 worth.

Asked about his investment, Drutz merely says "It's the best way for him to get home sooner."

## 100,000 Planes This Year Called For in WPB Schedule

WASHINGTON—A new airplane production schedule, which calls for the manufacture of approximately 100,000 planes this year, was announced in the report of Charles E. Wilson, executive vice-president of the War Production Board, last week.

The figures revealed that almost 60,000 planes have been produced in the seven months of the year, but the new schedule suggests a necessary stepping-up for the remaining months of the year, with slightly less than 8,300 planes per month in view.

While the new W-11 schedule is approximately five per cent less in numbers of planes than the W-9 schedule, with which the year was begun, Mr. Wilson pointed out the earlier schedule contained many trainer-type planes which were no longer needed. Overall weight of planes would continue to rise month by month with the shift to heavier planes.

A total of 8,274 planes is called for

## Army to Furlough Its Tire Workers

WASHINGTON—So that production of heavy-duty truck and bus tires can be increased, thus relieving an acute shortage, the Army will furlough former tire workers to their peacetime employers.

The offer, made by Maj. Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Director of Materiel for the Army Service Forces, and accepted by Charles E. Wilson, executive vice chairman of the War Production Board, provides that manufacturers may request men formerly in their employ who (1) were 30 years old and stationed in this country, (2) were not in the infantry and (3) had had one or more years' experience as heavy tire workers before entering the service.

in August, as against the 8,000 produced in July. Another 151 were made but were not counted since modifications were necessary at the plants and present policy counts them only after they have been flown from the plants.

Four more B-29 Superfortresses were made in July than the schedule called for, but again some of those produced were not counted, because modifications were being made, and they were still at the production plants.

## 82nd Airborne Is Odd-Job Fighter

HEADQUARTERS, 82nd AIRBORNE DIVISION, Normandy—Battle-hardened engineers of the 82nd Airborne Division fought shoulder-to-shoulder with infantrymen in the spearhead attack of the division in France which opened the way for the seaborne invasion forces.

Initial units of the engineers went in by parachute and glider, along with the first elements of the division, hours before H-Hour on D-Day. They were met by flak and small arms fire, and the gliders faced the enormous difficulties of landing in the small fields of Normandy. Almost incredibly, they succeeded in landing without a casualty, whereupon they cockily announced that they were "available to anyone wanting to know how to load and lash." They did have a little trouble locating one another and getting their equipment together.

When they had assembled they found that their first job was to fight as infantry. They threw off local attacks and joined up with paratroopers. From that time on, they were an "odd job outfit" ready to lend a hand when anyone needed help.

## GIs Should Have Fine Time at Lake Placid

WASHINGTON—The Lake Placid Club, swank Adirondack mountain resort on Mirror Lake, in the heart of Lake Placid village, will be taken over by the War Department as a rest center for weary soldiers, the War Department announced this week.

No information as to the date of transfer or the number of men who would be assigned to the resort has yet been given out. Ordinarily, the club accommodates something more than 1,200 guests.

With bathing from the club's docks and beaches right at hand, with three eighteen-hole golf courses, and facilities for all summer and winter sports, as well as the attractions of a lively resort town, the club should be a boon to the soldiers assigned to it. Whiteface Mountain rises just behind it, and at the other end of the town are the famed ski-jumps used in championship contests. A few miles out is the equally-famed bobsled run which has been used for international contests. Skating is available on Mirror Lake in the winter, and in an artificial ice rink in the summer.

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COLORED troops of a field artillery battery emplace a 155 mm. in France. They have been following the advance of the infantry and are now setting up this new position.

## Rocket PETN Hits Harder Than TNT

WASHINGTON—Pentolite, an explosive 20 per cent more powerful than TNT, is being used in rocket projectiles, the War Department announced.

A small quantity of this explosive will blow a 2-inch hole through five feet of reinforced concrete," Maj. L. H. Campbell, Jr., U. S. Army Ordnance, asserted.

In addition to providing terrific force for bazooka ammunition and other rocket projectiles, Pentolite is employed in rifle grenades, tank explosives, certain types of artillery shells, for demolition work, and for clearing wrecked harbors as that of Cherbourg, France.

Invented in 1891

Pentolite's history begins in 1891 with that of PETN, or pentaerythritol tetranitrate, which was invented in that year. PETN alone is 20 per cent more powerful than TNT. Army Ordnance experimented with PETN at the Army Ordnance Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J., during the first World War. They found it sensitive to friction—that at that time it was considered too dangerous to manufacture.

Army Ordnance eventually found a way to utilize PETN by mixing it with TNT and thus producing safely in large quantities the super-

## omber Wants To Get Back To Be There At Finish

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—T/Sgt. Lasky, of Brooklyn, radio operator gunner in a Maurauder, is setting here at this Army Air Forces Redistribution Station because he wants immediate reassignment back to the invasion front.

"I got in on the beginning of the end and I certainly want to go back and sit in on the finish," says Lasky, who wears the distinguished Flying Cross and the Medal with 11 Oak Leaf Clusters.

Weather, rather than the Nazis, is the toughest obstacle we overcome," he said. "On D-Day plus our mission was to bomb big concentrations of Nazi troops and equipment at marshalling yards outside Caen.

No fighters rose to meet us and the ack ack was light. But cloud formations had us on edge every minute of the time. We were flying tight formations, and most of the time were completely surrounded by clouds. We had no idea how close we were to our neighboring formations. We expected to bump one them any time."



# Stephens Paces Red-Hot Brown

## Camp Polk Champs Of Louisiana Semi-Pros



CAMP POLK, La.—The 89th Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, Mechanized, representing the 9th Armored Division, won the Louisiana State Semi-Pro Championship Sunday by defeating Camp Livingston, defending champs, by a score of 1-0. This was the same score by which Livingston was beaten on the previous night in the first of the two-out-of-three tilts.

Kirby Higbee, Brooklyn Dodger hurler, pitched good ball for Livingston in the Sunday game, but Bill Stumberg's homer over the centerfield fence in the seventh was the winning factor.

T/5 Lefty White let Livingston down with three hits. Sensational

fielding in the ninth staved off a threatening rally.

The 89th won several trophies. Lt. Ralph C. Houk was named most valuable player; Bill Stumberg was crowned home-run king, and Lieutenant Houk, Stumberg, Farroni and Sgt. Ed Kramer placed on the all-state team.

After the final game, awards were presented by Reduc Day, state semi-pro baseball commissioner, and Col. H. C. Michie, "czar" of the tournament and commanding officer of the station hospital at Livingston.

### 'Newgarden Pool' Is Dedicated at Gordon

CAMP GORDON, Ga.—The new \$60,000 swimming pool here was officially opened on July 31 when Col. Herbert W. Schmid, Post Commander, took the first plunge into the water.

At the opening ceremony, Colonel Schmid announced that the pool was being named the "Newgarden Pool" in memory of the late Maj. Gen. Paul W. Newgarden, former Commanding General of the 10th Armored Division, who was recently killed in a plane crash in Tennessee. A bronze dedicatory plaque is to be erected.

### Turns Tables on Movie Star

SELMAN FIELD, La.—Cpl. Harry "Red" Ryan, newsmen, recently pulled a "man bites dog" stunt on Gail Patrick, movie star. Joining the group of autograph-seekers meeting her plane here, Ryan did not ask for Gail's sig but gave her his.

## Beau Jack Wins From Montgomery; Now 2-2

NEW YORK—Beau Jack evened things up in his series with Bob Montgomery when he copped the decision in the non-title fight at Madison Square Garden. Each now has won two verdicts.

This was a real War Bond show. The battlers, both in the Army, battled strictly for Uncle Sam; 15,822 Bonds were sold for a total of \$35,864,900, with 72 ringside seats, each purchased for \$100,000, occupied by Purple Heart men who got their tickets from the Bond purchasers. Mike Jacobs donated services of his promotional staff, while various expenses were underwritten by Gillette Safety Razor Company, which broadcast the event, free of commercials other than mere mention of the Gillette name.

## SPORTS CHAT

HAWAII, T. H.—While Joe DiMaggio leads the Honolulu circuit with his .441 batting for the 7th AAF, the Yankee Clipper looked anything but terrific with the stick when his team hit Hilo. He was held to a single in his seven plate appearances.

BOCA RATON FIELD, Fla.—Cpl. Nathan Rothman, Section K, is not a boxer and is not especially interested in athletics but he has mastered the punching bag as a hobby and his drum corps and other routines are "show-stoppers" at field and swimming meets throughout Florida.

PANAMA CANAL DEPARTMENT—Being a first-class soldier in the service of his country has more appeal for 1st/Sgt. Thomas D. Armour than following the career of his illustrious father, "Silver Scot Tommy," one of the select circle to win both the United States and British Open golf championships. Sergeant Armour putters around the links once in a while, but he says, "golf doesn't have the appeal for me you'd expect in the son of a champion."

LOS ANGELES—Don't mention "weaker sex" to five 37th AAA Brigade Hq. guys who for some time had figured they were quite some pumpkin as bowlers. They went up against a team known as "Hogan's cuties" and now are convinced, to their sorrow, that you can't mix the feminine pins and the wooden variety. The boys lost 2525 to 2500. Mary Jane Hogan, affable leader of the cuties, chalked up high game of 216 and high series of 577 to pace her femmes to victory.

MAC DILL FIELD, Fla.—Wac softball team here is convinced that "20" is its charm number. Two recent victories over Drew Field were by scores of 23-0 and 20-1, and six of their wins this season have been games in which they registered 20 runs.

CAMP BOWIE, Tex.—It's finally leaked out why Pvt. Eli Lipets, Black Cat coach, hasn't played either softball or basketball for years and has confined himself to mentoring teams. He was thrown out of so many games on softball diamonds and basketball courts in New York State for his verbal clashes with umpires and referees that he concluded it would be wiser to take up the coaching end. Lipets is better known as "Lippy," because of his raucous chatter from the sidelines.

FORT MAC ARTHUR, Calif.—A veritable gold mine was exploded for Pfc. Fred Hagedorn, major dome of the Topsiside Bowling Alleys, when statement was made in The Alert that S/Sgt. Ted Rule is the Post's No. 1 bowler. Came such an avalanche of challenges that elimination contests were started, Topsiside alleys are crowded daily and bowling interest never has been at such high pitch. It will be weeks before championship honors are decided.

CAMP VAN DOEN, Miss.—1st/Sgt. James D. (Spider) Webb, Jr., and T/5 Matthew (Bloody Matt) Terlizzi, of the 253rd Inf., who engage in two-round boxing matches in Co. E's supply room each afternoon, have arranged to take their furloughs together so their fight series can continue uninterrupted.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
St. Louis	62	42	.596	
Boston	55	48	.534	8 1/2
New York	53	45	.538	7 1/2
Detroit	52	50	.510	9
Chicago	50	53	.485	11 1/2
Cleveland	51	55	.481	12
Philadelphia	47	59	.443	16
Washington	44	59	.427	17 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
St. Louis	72	27	.727	
Cincinnati	55	43	.561	16 1/2
Pittsburgh	52	44	.542	18 1/2
New York	49	53	.485	24
Chicago	46	49	.484	24
Boston	41	58	.414	31
Philadelphia	38	58	.396	32 1/2
Brooklyn	40	62	.392	33 1/2

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Baltimore	64	45	.587	
Newark	64	50	.561	
Jersey City	58	54	.519	
Buffalo	60	53	.531	
Montreal	52	57	.477	
Toronto	62	60	.509	
Syracuse	49	61	.445	
Rochester	49	66	.426	

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Milwaukee	77	37	.675	
Louisville	68	46	.596	
Toledo	66	45	.594	
St. Paul	59	48	.551	
Columbus	61	50	.550	
Minneapolis	44	68	.392	
Indianapolis	38	73	.342	
Kansas City	31	77	.287	

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Los Angeles	67	54	.557	
San Francisco	65	56	.537	
Hollywood	63	60	.512	
Oakland	61	61	.500	
Portland	59	63	.484	
Seattle	59	64	.480	
Sacramento	55	63	.479	
San Diego	56	68	.452	

EASTERN LEAGUE

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Hartford	67	27	.713	
Albany	66	32	.673	
Utica	51	48	.515	
Williamsport	49	47	.510	
Binghamton	46	50	.479	
Buffalo	36	54	.400	
Scranton	36	64	.360	
Wilkes-Barre	36	65	.356	

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

Team	W.	L.	Pct.	GB.
Nashville	26	8	.765	
Atlanta	24	8	.750	
Memphis	21	12	.636	
Little Rock	14	15	.424	
New Orleans	14	22	.389	
Mobile	13	21	.382	
Birmingham	13	21	.382	
Chattanooga	10	24	.294	

## Drives In 73 Runs To Lead AL In RBI

WASHINGTON — An eight-day winning streak has given the St. Louis Browns their biggest place lead of the season, six one-half games.

They look like a shoo-in for bunting—provided they get an extra shake in their 22-game swing. The Browns have been hot in their home park, winning 14 and losing 5 in their last 19 games, but on the road they have been just another so-so ball club.

If and when the two St. Louis clubs tangle for the World Series, the best two shortstops in the game will be in the lineup. To National League rosters, the Browns have only one Marty Marion.

American League fans think the same about Vernon Stephens. Both men are playing superb baseball but at the plate Stephens can give his fellow St. Louisers a few lessons in powdering the apple.

Although Stephens' .300 batting average is topped by eight regular playing American Leaguers, there are ducks on the pond. Any can League hurlers would see anyone else up there with the willow.

In rapping out 110 hits, 11 them homers, Stephens has done home 73 runs to lead the league that department. Besides that, he has managed to score 61 on his own, which gives an idea why the Browns are on top.

Not only is Stephens a hot part fellow to have around when a pinch is needed, he also makes a clean cut of cooling off enemy bats by fielding balls which should be hits. Rival managers sadly rue that the best way to get a high left field is by knocking the ball high and hard.

Stephens, of course, isn't the only reason why the Browns are on top. Al Zarilla took a vacation from over-bench-warming job and promptly started riding the old apple to the tune of a .654 average in the last seven games he was in the lineup. His average has tumbled a bit since then—but he and Stephens will give the Browns a healthy foundation of play.

The number one pitching ace, the American League is soon expected to be hurling for the Navy with Tex Hughson goes the Sox's hopes for the pennant. Sox fans are planning a World Series vacation.

Other junior circuit clubs are playing their way through the season with hopes of improving their present standings but with hopes held for the pennant. With the draft blowing Boston, the New York Yankees and Detroit are eyeing the place. Washington and Philadelphia are giving each other the "No, my dear Gaston" line as they in and out of the cellar. Cleveland are sliding in and out of the first division.

In the National League the Cardinals. The only problem is they'll win by.

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—The maulers both lost and gained heavily slugged this week. When Fuchs was knocked out for the son with a fractured ankle, the son was immediately filled when Kroeger, leading hitter of the team, became available for the in the Wichita semi-pro tournament.

## Army Teams May Cop Tourney

WICHITA, Kan.—Army teams, which last year dominated the 9th annual National Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament, six of the ten teams entered placing among the top 10 and Camp Wheeler, Ga., copping the title, are favored to repeat in the tenth annual competition, which opened here last night.

While many of the service clubs have suffered heavy depletions in their ranks during the year, it is naturally assumed that civilian nines also lost many of their players, called to Uncle Sam's service, and these boys may now be found in the camp clubs.

Army teams which have won state or regional events and which are represented in the semi-pro tourney are the Enidaires, of the Enid (Oklahoma) Flying School, runners-up in '43; 20th Armored Division, Camp Campbell, Ky.; Key Field, of Meridian, Miss.; Fort Bragg, N. C.; Gowan Field, Boise, Ida.; Camp Sibert, Ala.; Army Air Field, Las Vegas, Nev.; Fort Riley, Kan., and Davis-Monthan Field,

Tucson, Ariz. Several late entries may be made.

### Meet State Champions

Civilian teams entered in the tournament are the winners in State tournaments from Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Virginia, New Jersey, Ohio, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Missouri, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Utah, Oklahoma, Oregon, New York and Washington.

Under the double elimination system, 63 games will be required and play will continue for two weeks. To win the title, a team must win seven games and lose no more than one.

While some of the crack teams participating last year are not in the picture this time, enough of the fast clubs will again be seen in action to assure stiff competition and keenest rivalry.

In addition to the Camp Wheeler champs and the Enidair runners-up, service teams competing last year included the Fort Riley Centaurs from Kansas, the Camp Campbell 20th Armored Division Helcats from Kentucky, Camp Sibert from Tennessee, the Kirtland Field Fourth

Ferrying Command from New Mexico, the Salt Lake Wings from Utah, the Pocatello Bombers from Idaho, the Alliance 328th Glider Infantry from Nebraska and the Las Vegas Horned Toads from Nevada.

### Scouts Plentiful

Wide publicity in recent weeks of optimistic expressions forecasting early crumbling of Germany and an end of the European war has stirred baseball leaders to the importance of rebuilding their age-worn personnel and scouts of major teams as well as ivory hunters of the top minors are thick as bees here to take in the games with the view of cataloging likely-looking youngsters. As one old scout expressed it:

"Platoon sergeants will be in demand as coaches when the war ends as most of the teams will be made up of servicemen and they'll still require a bit of regimenting. It's a safe bet that if warfare with Europe terminates before the '45 season opens, many of the American and National League teams will include many of the players who will be seen in action in this Wichita tournament."



# Twilight Tear Knocked Off Throne By Fitzsimmons One-Two Punch

WASHINGTON—Old Jim Fitzsimmons tossed a one-two punch which knocked her majesty the queen of the turf, Twilight Tear, off her throne.

Agey Jim sent his entry of Vienne and Thread O'Gold out on the track with orders to get the queen. The Guerin up on Thread O' Gold orders to set a blistering early lead—he did. Jimmy Stout up on Vienne had orders to loaf along behind and then start riding at the end of the stretch and he did.

Thread O' Gold broke on top with Twilight Tear running second, Vienne fourth far off the pace and Dare the only other starter third. The been leaders set a blistering early lead with a 1:11 1/5 time for six furlongs on the Belmont track.

Couldn't Come Again  
Vienna started her rush at the St. of the stretch and Buddy Haas tried to get Twilight Tear along a while, but although the winner was in staggering at the end of the run, Thread O' Gold folded and finished a poor third.

For the railbirds, who had made the winner of 11 straight starts a 20 favorite, there were more superstars around than twilight. The winner paid \$18.20.

The sensational upset overshadowed the track record breaking time of 1:06 1/5 for six furlongs set by the North in a dash out of the Widener chute. True North's time was 1:06 1/5.

## War Bond Prizes for Golf Tourney at Camp Campbell

CAMP CAMPBELL, Ky.—Soldier and enthusiasts will have their day today, August 13, plus a chance to win a part of \$225 in prizes, when the Special Service sponsors the Camp Campbell Open Golf Tourney at the Hopkinsville Golf and Country Club.

The tournament is open to all officers, enlisted men and enlisted women of Camp Campbell, Smyrna Air Base, Berry Field, Camp Forrest, Camp Tyson, Camp Breckinridge, the Artillery, and Nashville Army Air Corps. The contest will be medal play from over 36 holes, four times around the nine-hole course. The golfer taking the fewest number of strokes will receive a \$100 War Bond. Second prize is a \$50 War Bond, and third prize is a \$25 War Bond. Other prizes, consisting of war stamps, will be offered to players by drawings on blind tickets.

Because the entire 36 holes must be played in one day over a nine-hole course, entries will be limited to soldiers shooting an average game of 90 or better.

## Happy Medium

CAMP BRECKINRIDGE, Ky.—At least Anthony Molnar was pitching a ball last season in a soldier's league in Alaska, when it was arm enough, and Pvt. Clarence Wagner was doing the same in Panama when it was cool enough. Transferred to United States, they will for the same softball team in this camp.

## Nelson Defeats Penna

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif.—Putting the pressure in the final 36-hole round, Byron Nelson, who was two strokes off the pace, came through the hole in the \$5,000 Beverly Hills open, beating Tony Penna and Harold G. McSpaden.

Nelson's score for the 72-hole route was 71-69-68-69-277; Penna's was 69-72-72-279; and McSpaden's was 70-73-67-283.

## Finally Beats Segura

CLEVELAND—After bowing in his final five tournaments, Billy Talbert finally registered a win against the Segura, winning 6-8, 6-0, in the feature of a USO benefit on Sunday.

Dorothy May Bundy, of California, defeated Shirley Fry, of Akron, 6-2, while Segura and Miss Bundy lost to Talbert and Miss Fry, 6-2.

only one-fifth of a second off the world's record set by Artful and clipped a full second off the track record.

Iceman Hot  
George "the Iceman" Woolf was hotter than the weather at the Saturday Belmont meet. George rode two kinds of races to win the U. S. Hotel Stakes with Pavot and the Merchants' and Citizens' Handicap with Princequillo.

All Woolf had to do was sit on Pavot and win by three lengths over Esteem and War Jeep, who finished noses apart. Pavot, 7-to-10 favorite, was making this third winning start.

Woolf gave Princequillo backers a nerve-racking ride. Breaking with the pack he dropped his horse back to last where he ran to the middle of the back-stretch. Then he turned loose all holds and the bay colt picked up horse after horse as he drove down the rail.

At the head of the stretch he nailed Wait A Bit and Some Chance, drew out and then held off the challenge of Ramalles, who came flying out of nowhere to get the place money. Favored Wait A Bit had to settle for third. The winner paid \$8.60.

Grand Slam  
The Calumet Farm entry gave its

## 14 Germans Make Merry, Wake Up War Prisoners

(Continued From Page 1)  
Putnam was notified that her husband, Marine Sgt. F. B. Putnam, Jr., had been seriously wounded in the Pacific. As a good reporter should, she wrote the story of the casualty, and then completed her night shift.

If you haven't \$164.54 cash in your jeans, you're being flipped! The Treasury Department has just announced that money in circulation in July reached a new high of \$22,726,812,785, and estimating the population at 138,121,000, each man, woman and child should have \$164.54.

"Send working mothers and wives back to their kitchens when peace comes" is the suggestion to Congress by Senator Charles Andrews (D., Fla.) as a solution for the post-war employment problem. The Senator said that while education and persuasion "might" send the women home, he believed direct action by law "would."

Navy units long have been named after persons, but now comes a person named after a Navy unit. Driven from their home at Auvergne, Normandy, by the war just as a baby was to arrive, Henri Marcel Auguste Fouchard and his wife became frantic when unable to find a civilian physician. On the spot were Seabees, who claim they are prepared to deal with any situation, and they took over the problem. In appreciation, the daughter has been named Seabee Paula Fouchard.

Quit your kickin' about high prices! Housewives in London a few days ago paid \$16 to \$21 each for pineapples, \$7 for watermelons, \$5 a pound for grapes and 80 cents to \$1.50 each for peaches.

Winning the "Bomber Sweepstakes," which gave him the privilege of naming a Martin B-26 Marauder, bought through purchase of \$125,000 in War Bonds at Holabird, Md., Signal Depot, Antoni Belecki, auto-mechanic, promptly christened the ship "Holabird" in appreciation of the privilege given him to do his war bit at Holabird in both World Wars.

Although he's been overseas seven months, with the 88th Inf. Div. in Italy, Pvt. Alvin John Buckinger recently received a classification card from his Seattle Selective Service Board deferring him from the draft. He was 87 in the national fish bowl and was inducted into service at Tacoma, Wash., November 13, 1942. He is 38.

backers a real run for its money and the track a chance to dig in the old sock to pay off a minus pool by finishing one-two-three in the Princess Pat Stakes at Washington Park.

When Good Blood, Towsey and Thine crossed the finish line in that order it was the second time a Calumet entry had scored a grand slam. In the Arlington Futurity of 1941 Sun Again, Some Chance and Wishbone hit the jackpot.

The winning entry paid \$2.80, \$2.20 and 2.20—but there wasn't enough money in the show pool so the track had to contribute.

Alex Barth found the Garden State oval to his liking and charged home in track record breaking time of 1:42 3/5 for a mile and a sixteenth in the Quaker City Handicap. Paperboy and Challamore followed the 3-5 favorite across the line.

Rocco Sisto scored a riding double at Rockingham Park, scoring with Clyde Tolson in the Barnstead Purse and First Draft in the Granite Stakes.

The outstanding rags-to-riches horse, Alsab, has been retired to stud. Owner Al Sabath has announced. Alsab rose from a \$700 yearling to one of the greatest racers of all times, the winner of \$340,015.

## War Veterans Benefit From Golf Tourney

SPOKANE, Wash.—With the aristocracy of golf pros entered in the year's richest tournament, opening here next Monday, war veterans are the sure winners.

Ticket sales and concession revenues are expected to top \$30,000, and every dime will go to the Air Forces convalescent center at Fort George Wright and the Baxter General Hospital to purchase athletic equipment and articles needed in rehabilitation work.

The Spokane Athletic Round Table, an organization of public-spirited sportsmen, is putting up the \$20,000 prize money and footing all expense bills.

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Any PGA member now in the armed forces will be privileged to enter without formality other than to step up to the tee and whack out a ball.

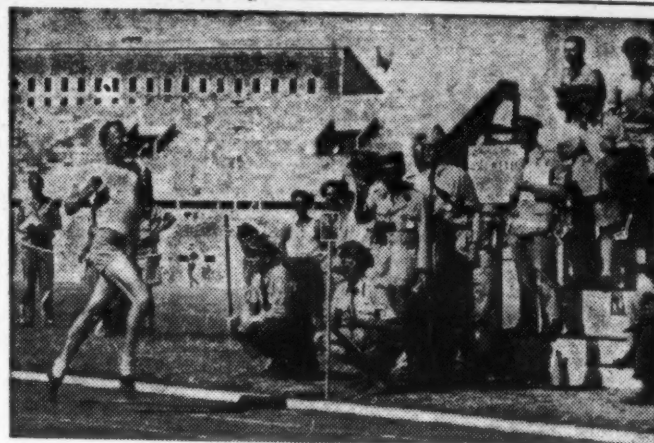
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CROSSING the finish line in the 1500 meter final in the field and track meet at the Foro D'Italia, Rome, Italy, is Lt. (j.g.) Walter J. Mehl, of Wauwatora, Wis.

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Haegg Clips Own World Mark  
STOCKHOLM—Gunder Haegg clipped 3.6 seconds from his own world record for the two-mile run when he finished in 8:42.8 at the Stockholm Stadium.

## THE "PAY-OFF"

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**SWELL** package from home says this GI as he gets an armful of beauty when a USO camp show put on its first entertainment for American troops in France. Little time was lost by the troupe after arrival on the beachhead, 'shop' being opened immediately to provide a treat for relaxation-starved soldiers.

## ALL PRESENT OR ACCOUNTED FOR

Overseas veterans at **SEDALIA FIELD**, Mo., say they have seen a plane land without a tail assembly, or even part of a wing, but not until recently did they see a pilot land without his pants. F/O Robert M. Kirby became warm while flying a troop transport plane on a routine training flight. For comfort he took off most of his clothes and asked one of the crew to hang them back in the plane. They were hung right next to the door and when the doors were opened at Kirby's order to drop parachutes, a gust of wind took the pants out. The crew didn't hurry after landing in trying to find some replacement clothing so Kirby sat pantless in the plane for nearly three hours.

Ulysses Grant met Robert E. Lee at **FORT BRAGG**, N. C. They are both privates in the 397th Infantry. The tables were turned this time, however, since Lee comes from the North—Ohio—and Grant is from the South—at least from the Southwest, Oklahoma.

A claim to be the only enlisted soldier in the Army with a Navy commission is made by 1st/Sgt. Frank O. Swanson, of **KEESLER FIELD**, Miss. He backs it up by explaining that he married Miss Marie Ensign.

Into the chapel at **CAMP GOR-**

**DON JOHNSTON**, Fla., walked a charming young miss who appeared perplexed when she saw where she was. The chaplain's assistant, specially anxious to be helpful, suggested: "Is there anything I can do for you?" "Why, yes," she replied, demurely, "I'd like a jar of vaseline." Using the usual formula when in doubt, the private asked: "Would you like to see the chaplain?" "Shucks, no," came the reply. "What would I want him for? Isn't this the PX?"

S/Sgt. Fred Feder, of the **LAURINBURG-MAXTON AIR BASE**, N. C., says he can go F.D.R. one better. The President has been nominated for a fourth term but Fred has been elected for a fourth term as president of the non-com officers' club. "And I didn't have to do any politicking, either," he tells his friends.

A new way to get your literary efforts "published" has been discovered and is being used by Sgt. Morry Efron, at the **STUTTGART AIR FIELD**, Ark. The roly-poly sergeant writes a story and then shoves it into the hands of his buddies, asking them to read it "for criticism." If they read it and like it the charge is five cents. If they don't, the reading is free, but the budding author wants to know why. Morry has already collected \$17.35 by his publishing methods and asserts that this sum is more than many a writer gets for a story in the pulps.

The urge for brevity in military correspondence is well observed, it appears at **CAMP COOKE**, Calif. Recently Pvt. Jim Fremin, an orderly at the 21st Infantry officers' barracks, wrote to a lieutenant: "Sir, you are all out of brown liquid shoe polish." The officer wisely followed the same practice in his reply, which ran, simply: "Buy some."

There are some tall story-tellers in Alexandria, La., according to M/Sgt. Tony DeMeter, of **ALEXANDRIA AIR BASE**. To wit: Tony, recently arrived at the field, asked a man in town what the weather was like in the neighborhood, and got this comeback. "Listen, sergeant. Weather changes so fast here that if a lot of frogs are sitting on a bank and jump in the water the water freezes so fast that the town folk go out with their lawn mowers and cut a crop of frogs' legs. You see, sergeant, we have frogs' legs on the menu all the year 'round."

Pvt. Frank LaVista, of **NEWARK**, N. J., has an enterprising son of 14 months. When Frank, who is an MP, was home on furlough the other day the youngster got hold of his father's handcuffs and snapped them on daddy's wrists. The MP thought it was a great joke—at first, till he called on his wife to free him and she broke the key off in the lock. It took the soldier four hours to file himself free.

## Swift Gas Deliveries Factor In Jap Defeats

WASHINGTON—Aviation gasoline and other petroleum products are being delivered so successfully in the New Guinea campaign that Far East Air Forces' airplanes never lack fuel to go up against the Japanese, Lt. Col. Lawrence E. Brown, Air Corps, reported to the War Department.

American ingenuity and willingness and cooperation between the various services have made possible this achievement, in the opinion of Colonel Brown, who is in Washington on temporary duty.

"Aviation gasoline, greases and oil were put in the same class by the fliers as a bottle of milk to the average American," he said. "They always expected to find it there in the morning, because that was a job that had to be done before the operation could start."

"When the landing was made on the Admiralty Islands, the battle moved so fast that airplanes landed on the strip there to find that ships carrying refueling vehicles hadn't arrived."

### Work Rapidly

"The men at a New Guinea base, over 300 miles away, took 20 refueling trailers apart, fitted each one in a C-47 and sent them on to the Admiralty Islands. There they were re-assembled, the gasoline and oil pumped into them and hauled to the airport. The whole job was accomplished in 24 hours. The idea was executed by an Air Service Command technical sergeant."

"On Wadke Island there was the problem of getting the gasoline and oil from the ships anchored out from the shore to the airfield in a hurry so that our planes could keep hitting the Japanese."

One man, a private first class in the Army Engineers, supervised the rigging up of a pipeline from the big oil barges to the shore. The oil flowed by gravity from storage tanks to refueling vehicles. This job was

## General Hume Is Presented Award

WASHINGTON—The War Department announces award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Service Medal to Brig. Gen. Edgar Erskine Hume, U. S. Army, of Frankfort, Ky., in recognition of distinguished service as Chief of the Allied Military Government Section, Fifth Army, in Italy.

General Hume was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his outstanding service as a medical officer during the World War and as Commissioner of the American Red Cross after the war in Serbia. He holds many decorations from foreign governments and numerous academic degrees from American and foreign institutions of learning.

## Pickin' Up Papers

Headquarters Company, 242nd Engineers, at Oahu, T. H., has "The Castle" as its official organ, and editor Sgt. Samuel Begun is deserving of high praise for his selection of interesting material for this eight-page mimeographed publication. The colored art work, under direction of Cpls. Vito W. DiNoia and Fred L. Rowe, is exceptionally varied and attractively arranged.

It's not surprising that "The Target" at Fort Jackson, S. C., has progressed from bi-monthly to weekly. Its makeup is attractive, the print is neat and material selected by Pvt. Charles E. Anthony and his staff shows them to be wise "News Appeal Doctors." Men of the 347th Infantry Regiment needed but six issues to make them give the command: "More Targets."

"The Railsplitter" made its bow at Camp Claiborne, La., on July 20, the first newspaper the 84th Infantry Division has published with the exception of handouts while it was on two-months' maneuvers. In its Page 1 salutory, attention is drawn to regular features and cartoons to appear

weekly. Among its illustrations, presents Pfc. Frederick Mantz Service Company, 334th Inf., as best bugler in the division.

"Snafu" at George Field, Ill., picks up the fact that, indirectly, it influences post-war journalism, indicated by an article in the July issue of Variety, nationally-known theatrical weekly, which said in part: "Army service papers and journals will have a strong influence on post-war newspapers," said Franklin Banner, Pennsylvania State College journalism head, who has made survey of camp sheets. Changes tabloid size will be common. light, informal style of writing, preponderance of human interest stories, the stress on illustrations, interesting makeup, as well as effort to print large numbers of names, are all familiar devices (the camp newspapers) which may profitably be more widely used the daily press."

"The Morale Builder," published "Somewhere in the Marshalls," unique in that its circulation consists of but one copy. The single copy tacked up on the bulletin board where it's literally "eaten up" by officers and men. In one of his issues, Pfc. James F. Bunce, Wayne, Pa., editor, played up a soldier receiving an "honorable discharge," a prospect that, for soldiers, is just about the biggest morale factor. Bunce's print comprises one sturdy fountain pen, a bottle of ink, 8 x 10 sheets of paper. He prints each and every word, including captions and headlines, by hand.

Generally, folks are admonished "keep away from the courts of law," but the MacDill Field, Fla., "Leaf" takes a radical departure, urging, editorially, that the "Go to a Trial." It points out to the courtroom has ample seats for 50 visitors, and soldiers would see how the Army prosecutes offenders and how the rights of the soldier are protected.

"Camp Ellis News," official publication of the Army Service Forces Training Center at Camp Ellis, believes the personnel should be formed as to civilian enterprise which help to keep affairs running smoothly at the camp. S/Sgt. P. Annau, editor, personally writes articles each week. In the July 21 issue he wrote of the QM laundry, who keeps Ellismen in that "Well-Presented Military Dress" and he also told his tour of "Camp Clip Joint-Barbers," the camp's first barber using GI barbers. Signal Corps men provide the photos accompanying the articles.

## Up Front With Mauldin



"We're jest a couple red-blooded American boys."

## BOOKS

### The People of India

By Kumar Goshal (Sheridan House, Inc., New York—\$3.00.)

No one man can understand India, nor can one man more than touch the many-sided problem in one volume. However, India will assume increasing importance in the post-war world. The more that is known of the diversified people, the strange customs and economic system, the easier will be the gradual solution of the problem. Kumar Goshal presents the Indian's side of the picture, depicting Indian life today and attempts to prove all its ills are due to "imperialism."

His picture of India is interesting and well presented, but by no means may be considered complete coverage of a population larger than that of North and South America combined. The great stumbling block of caste is only incidentally mentioned, the religious structure and psychology ignored. Nor is there any mention of the status of women. The author's rantings against imperialism and British dominance are emotional and smack of propaganda; would no doubt be refuted by some fellow Indians of equal status. However, as one intelligent, thinking Indian's approach to the Indian problem, "The People of India" is a valuable contribution.



## Fish Dishes Sound 'Stinky'; Men Who Know Say 'Yum, Yum'

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Uncle Sam's khaki-clad nephews are coming back from the war with a taste for exotic foods.

There's tarro, for instance, which M/Sgt. Howard Wiltsey, of Troy, N. Y., back at the AAF Redistribution Station here from the Fiji Islands and the Southwest Pacific, describes as a "boiled potpourri of fish, tapioca and Fiji potatoes."

"Tasted good," added the sergeant, who saw service with an aircraft warning battalion.

Pvt. Harry Coster, of New York City, who was in Panama doing Signal Corps work, is back with a liking for turtle meat. Giant turtles weighing from 150 to 200 pounds were shelled, stewed and fried by the natives, and then the GI's would have a feast.

"The taste is good," Private Coster reports, "but nothing like any American fish, game or meat I ever had."

### Go for Mangoes

There were some, of course, who didn't like turtle meat, but all the Yanks, according to Private Coster, went for tropical mangoes and papaya melons.

Pfc. Paul J. Flest, of Wilmington, Del., a medical technician in the Caribbean, put in his vote for yakee, a food he discovered while stationed in Jamaica. He described it as a red, bell-shaped fruit which tastes like eggs and is served with bacon

for breakfast.

Although he admits it didn't taste very good, Pvt. Mark Davidson, of Long Island, N. Y., developed a fondness for buloki, a fried combination of fish blubber, cod liver and shark's oil, while serving as a ground crewman in the Aleutians. It is rich in vitamins, he claims.

Fish and chips, famed London combination, made a hit with S/Sgt. Ed Goldstein, of Minneapolis, a B-24 radio gunner. But he did his eating in restaurants. Rarely did the Yanks partake of their hosts' hospitality while in Britain—the food shortage was too acute.

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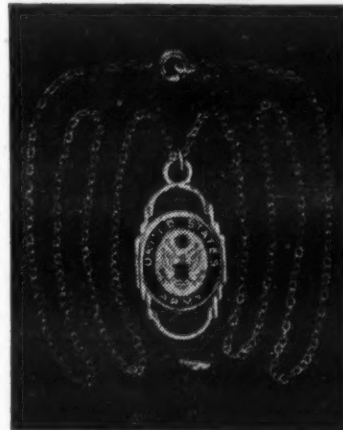
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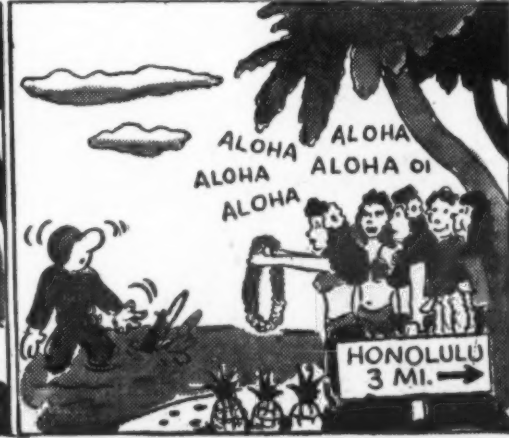
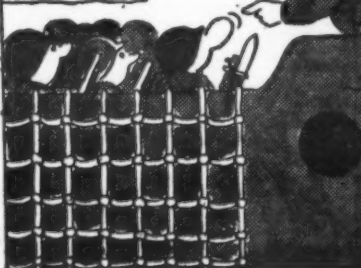


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### Private Eight Ball

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MEDICS were called upon to render assistance to their own as this unit, attached to an infantry outfit somewhere in France, had to dig out some of its men buried by a blast during a shelling attack.

## Men Of 100th Bn. Love Battle

FIFTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Italy—The Japanese-American 100th Infantry Battalion, which recently received a citation from Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, U. S. Army, commanding general of the Fifth Army, participated in fighting on virtually every front established in the drive through Italy.

Going into action first in the Naples area, the battalion fought its way across the Volturno River and the Rapido River, and was in the front lines for 40 days at Cassino. Later it was transferred to the beachhead at Anzio and took part in the breakthrough to Rome.

The 100th Battalion and the 442nd Central Postal Directory, of which is a part, are composed of Americans of Japanese descent, all of whom volunteered for service. The majority of the soldiers in the 100th are from the Hawaiian Islands.

The mission for which the battalion was cited was accomplished June 26 and 27 in the vicinity of the Belvedere and Sassetta, Italy. A strong German center of resistance dominated a vital highway and impeded the advance of an American infantry division. In the face of numerically superior forces of Nazi infantry and field artillery, the battalion fought its way to the defended positions and completely destroyed the enemy flank position, killing 178 Germans, wounding 20,

and capturing 73 in the process. Only Two Captured

In 10 months of almost continuous fighting only two soldiers of the 100th Infantry have been captured by the Germans, while the battalion has taken hundreds of prisoners, killed hundreds more, and destroyed vast quantities of enemy materiel.

More than 1,000 Purple Hearts, 44 Silver Stars, 31 Bronze Stars, nine Distinguished Service Crosses and three Legion of Merit medals have been awarded to members of the

unit. Fifteen enlisted men have received battlefield commissions after displaying outstanding leadership in combat.

There never has been a case of desertion or absence without leave in the 100th, although there were two reported cases of "reverse AWOL." Before their battle wounds were completely healed in a field hospital behind the lines, two soldiers left the hospital and hitchhiked to their companies on the battlefield.

### Germans Shatter Records Eating American Bread

HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS—A near riot broke out at a United States Army station hospital in England when Nazi prisoners of war walked into the mess hall and found a sign in German, "Take all you want, but eat all you take." The consumption of bread broke all records.

The hospital, commanded by Col. Joseph Haas, New York City, is jammed full with wounded Germans who can't understand why the Americans are treating them so well.

According to hospital personnel, about one per cent, mostly Hitler's SS troops, are fanatical. The rest are glad the war is over for them and don't mind admitting it.

SS troops are separated and given special guards. They are, according to wardmen, especially hated by the average German soldier. Most of the prisoners are either young, 17 or 18, or very old, 45 to 50. Whether arrogant or humble, all are obedient and well disciplined, snapping to attention when American medical officers enter their wards.

### Jap Lives Months In Tree on Rain Water, Cocoanuts

SOMEWHERE IN THE GILBERTS—After successfully concealing himself in the brush and living on a thin diet of coconut meat and rain water since last November, a Jap marine was finally captured when he toppled out of a coconut tree.

Hunger urged him to climb a tall coconut tree. While trying to secure a coconut he lost his grip and plunged to the ground. A friendly native on the island spotted the Jap marine when he hurtled to the ground and ran for half a mile to an outpost where Sgt. Orvel L. Null of Elizabeth, W. Va., was on duty with a searchlight battery.

A patrol found the Jap huddled under palm fronds. The Jap was dazed with fear and just sat cross-legged on the ground and prayed.

Sergeant Null examined the Jap and discovered that he had sustained a sprained back as a result of his fall. The Jap was weak and hungry. He was given first aid and then brought to local headquarters, where he was given medical care and food.

### Yanks Lauded By England's Queen

HEADQUARTERS, AIR SERVICE COMMAND, UNITED STATES STRATEGIC AIR FORCES IN EUROPE—"All of you are so very brave and we are proud that you are fighting for us." These are the inspiring words by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth of England, that cheered 2nd Lt. James A. Bowman, Chicago, a patient in a U. S. Army General Hospital located somewhere in the British Isles.

Queen Elizabeth was escorted through the hospital by Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, Deputy Theater Commander; Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley, Chief Surgeon, European Theater of Operations; Col. Lester M. Dyke, Commanding Officer of the hospital; Capt. Frances F. Kasmak, Chief Nurse, and the Queen's Lady-in-Waiting, the Honorable Mrs. Geoffrey Bowly. Her Majesty stopped to talk with several wounded soldiers and visited many other wards of the hospital.

### Byrd Wins In Michigan

PONTIAC, Mich.—Sam Byrd captured the Michigan Open Golf championship with a 208 score, five below the regulation figures for the war-shortened 54-hole course. Claude Harmon, Detroit pro, was second with 214.



## The Mess Line

A soldier is reported to have offered his girl friend a Scotch and sofa.

She reclined!

When I was out I heard the cry,  
"Why aintchoo in the Army, guy?"  
Now sergeants weep over PX beer,  
"Oh, why are dopes like him sent here?"

There's a wonderful girl—she has  
a nice profile all the way down!

I pitched the dice into the air,  
They fell to earth I know not  
where.

A moment later, to my surprise,  
I stood and stared at two snake  
eyes.

The honeymoon is over when there  
are more bills than coos.

The devil sends the wicked wind  
To blow our skirts sky high,  
But fate is just and sends the dust  
To blind the bad man's eye!

The stork is a humorous bird. He  
kicks the whole world.

What are the sister states?

Miss Ourl  
Ida Ho  
Mary Land  
Callie Fornie  
Allie Bama  
Louise Anna  
Della Ware  
Minnie Sota  
Mrs. Sippl

You're not like the girls I've met,  
All flappers, all fickle and wild;  
You know not the meaning of pet—  
You're just an adorable child.  
You never indulge in some kisses,  
You're proud and so very sedate;  
You're not like the others, and this is  
The reason I gave you the gate.

A good woman inspires a soldier.  
A beautiful one fascinates him.  
A brilliant woman interests him.  
But it's the sympathetic woman  
who gets him.



## Giggy



Cpl. Art Gates, Keesler Field, Miss.

## Pvt. Goldie Brick



Cpl. Dean "Doc" Davis, Sheppard Field, Tex.

## Private Van Dorn



Robbie, 99th Infantry Division, Camp Maxey, Tex.



## Soldier Shows

use a thousand men who are enter- rather than ten thousand who had no entertainment."

—Gen. John J. Pershing.  
this column the Entertainment on of the Special Service Divi- contributes items on Soldier which are in some way in- ing or outstanding. Perhaps these items you will find a sug- on which will be helpful to you educing your show.

### DIRE CONSEQUENCES

RT SMITH, Ark.—The Arkan- of Fort Smith are putting as to good use in their Soldier program. During the course recent "Fact or Consequence" they had their GI auditors in the aisles as contestants, ed by the questions, were to perform the following ous stunts:

One hapless lad donned a baby et and drank a nursing bottle lk—between sips he puffed on omatic stogie and crooned sev- choruses of "Rock-a-bye Baby." brace of quizzes were blind- and covered from neck to toe a sheet. They were then ed a chocolate merigue pie . With these tasty but "run- its of pastry they had to feed other. Rumor has it that one-tenth of the pies filling ed the digestive tracts of the contestants—the rest wound up their faces and sheets, thus ng the camp's GI laundry sol-

A fourth contestant was de- to patrol the post in quest full colonel and to bring him eagles and all, to the scene e quiz. The GI stunt man did hat, and upon the completion a mission, he had to tell the ace just how he had succeed- taking the colonel in tow. The colonel enjoyed the con- t's talk so much that he d through the rest of the show heartily endorsed the "Fact or equence" quiz program as ex- GI entertainment.

### MAKING THE ROUNDS

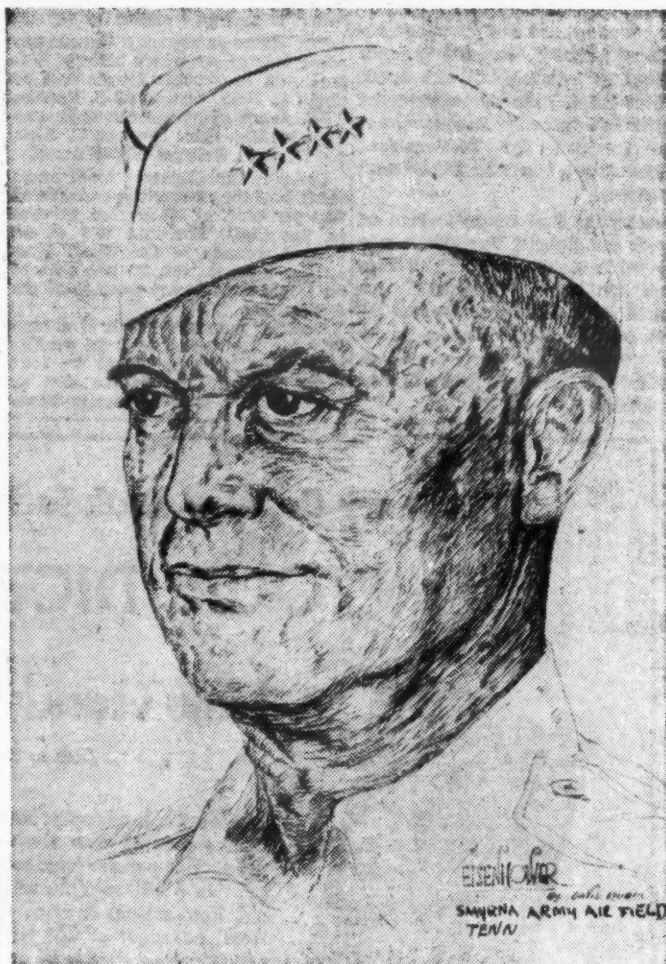
ASKA—A real opportunity for as posts in Alaska and the ans to share ideas for bring- good entertainment to men in theater of operations is offered new project started by the an Department Special Serv- ice. The AD office is drawing "round robin" bulletin which permit all camps, posts, and ns to exchange their ideas for taining troops. This special ill start out from Alaskan quarters with ideas for black- skits, music, radio programs, other Soldier Show projects. It be of loose-leaf construction, each post will, after checking the ideas offered, inclose its ideas to be passed on to the station. When this "chain" bulletin has covered the cir- cence, it will then be sent ad again so that everyone con- will benefit from it.

### PRODUCTION HINTS

OTLIGHTS—Footlights can be by mounting light sockets six as apart on a board running as the front of the stage. Use ip of wood or tin to shield the e of light from the audience. eever possible, the footlight h thus made should be coun- ank into the stage so that the dling piece will not be so high e stage level that it will ob- the audience's view. This es particularly to the lighting ancing acts, which depend a deal upon complete visibility e performers' fast-moving feet. rder to enhance the theatrical of footlight beams, paint the with the following colors in e blue, white, red. The same t will be gained by using col- gelatins over the bulbs. Col- bulbs will make your lighting ts much more pleasing to the than ordinary white lights with unbroken glare.

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## Word-Picture Of 'Ike' Is Painted By Wife



GEN. EISENHOWER IN PEN-AND-INK  
Cpl. David Rubin Wields Educated Pen

CHICAGO—Here's the word-pic- ture of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as painted by his wife in interviews given here while on a brief visit: Enjoys good game of bridge and rated by friends as an expert. Plays poker, which he learned as a cowboy in the West. Golfs a bit, loves to fish and dotes on Western stories. Somewhat bored by "social skir-

ishes." Thinks his lucky day is Friday and keeps several lucky coins in his pocket, which he rubs together when he's in a tight spot. Easy man to cook for, only food he refuses to eat being turnips.

Makes his letters strictly personal, written in longhand and containing hardly a reference to war news.

Mrs. Eisenhower shuns personal publicity and says she is like mil- lions of other women who have APO husbands.

"We are all marking time and waiting for the day of victory and the return of our loved ones," she said. "The wife of a private and the wife of a general stand on com- mon ground."

The Eisenhowers were married in 1916 when he was a captain. They have one son, John, who is a second lieutenant at Fort Benning. The Eisenhower home now is in Wash- ington, D. C., but when the war is over and the general returns they probably will spend a lot of time in Colorado, where he can catch up on his fishing, his wife said. The last time he was home, Mrs. Eisen- hower recalled, was for about ten days in January.

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## Col. Van Fleet Is Awarded DSC For Action in France

WASHINGTON—For his demonstration of superior leadership, personal bravery, and exceptional organizational ability on the French beaches on invasion day, Col. James A. Van Fleet, Infantry commander of the 8th Infantry Regiment, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the War Department announces.

Among the first troops to land on French soil, Colonel Van Fleet's men engaged in scattered fights to reduce beach fortifications. He quickly organized them into formation and led them on an orderly advance to inland positions, greatly expediting the establishment of the division beachhead.

## Leg and Arm Wounds No Greater Now Than In Other U. S. Wars

WASHINGTON—Despite the increased ferocity of the present war the number of war wounds to the arms and legs—major injury in battle—is no greater now than in any other war of America's history, it is indicated in reports by medical officers to Brig. Gen. Fred S. Rankin, U. S. Army, chief consultant in surgery to Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, the Surgeon General of the Army.

Comparative figures indicate wounds of the extremities constituted 70.8 per cent. of all combat injuries in the Civil War and 76.5 of all combat wounds in the World War. In the present war, 70 per cent of all battle wounds are wounds of the extremities.

Doctors thus know that if a man is going to be wounded in conflict the chance is seven out of ten that the wound will be in the arm or leg, just as it has always been.

## Black Widow Ship Termed Deadliest Of Army's Planes

HAWTHORNE, Calif.—The New Aircraft, Inc., announced the War Department had approved the release of heretofore carefully guarded details of the P-61 Black Widow night fighter, termed world's largest and most powerful pursuit plane.

The company gave the picture Black Widow crews and ammunition boxes are protected from .50 caliber enemy machine gun by specially designed armor plate bullet resistant glass and deflated.

Incorporated into the ship is first full-span landing flap, for landing speed, combined with a type aileron which retracts into upper section of the wings, and the Black Widow unusual maneuverability.

but Chilly in this picture. G's, who may or may not be news that she's to appear in "a comedy-drama about some-

## Yanks Drive on Paris

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vances and are now but 110 miles from Paris in their section.

A desperate panzer counterattack in force was made by the Germans in the Mortain-Avranches sector last Sunday, evidently an attempt to try to smash through the Allied line, but was met by a bombing and rocket attack by planes, which crippled the whole operation and cost the Germans at least 135 tanks.

### Resistance in Italy

In Italy operations have centered around Florence, half of which is now in Allied hands. After proclaiming it an open city, the Nazis proceeded to smash up the bridges on the Arno, and for almost a week have been shelling the Allied positions in the city, following their usual policy of wanton destruction. In comparison, Allied troops are bringing in food and medicine for the needy people of the city.

The Germans have continued stiff resistance of the Gothic line above Florence and Pisa with no appreciable movement by either side during the week.

No striking news has been forthcoming from the Russian armies for some days. It is suggested that they are resting for the present, in the meantime bringing up materiel over the long-extended transport lines.

This week the Nazis, in a desperate attempt to stop the Red advance into the German homeland, have tossed in 16 fresh divisions, taken from other defense lines, at various points on a 1,000-mile front, and have been using these new troops for counterattacks. Reports from the

Russians note that these new attempts have been satisfactorily checked, with the Germans being "bled" very badly.

### Pacific Successes

In the Pacific, Guam is in American hands, with only mopping-up operations remaining. In British New Guinea the cutting of the Jap supply line from Alitape meant virtually the end of Jap resistance.

Another bombing attack on Halmahera, stepping-stone to the Philippines, was made during the week.

In Northern Burma the capture of Myitkyina by Lt. Gen. Joseph Stilwell's troops, weary after a seven weeks' siege, means the end of any Jap danger or influence in that area. American planes virtually isolated the Jap supply center, and cooperated closely with the ground forces through the seven weeks of siege. The Jap prongs which penetrated beyond Imphal and Kohima three months ago have been virtually exterminated. The capture of Myitkyina and the clearing of the Mogaung Valley means the reopening of the Ledo road and will make it possible for much-needed supplies to be sent in overland to China.

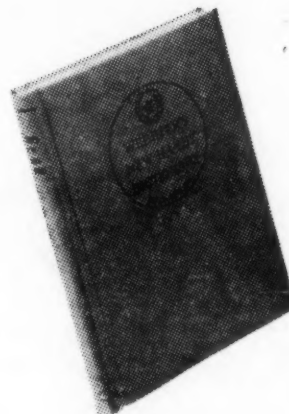
Dispatches from China noted the loss of Hengyang, on the Canton-Hankow railroad, after a six weeks' siege by some 200,000 Japs. Tokyo says 60 American officers and men were among the defending Chinese forces. This is a serious blow to the Chinese, since it will allow the Japs to drive directly north from Canton without resistance. Later news asserts that small bodies of defenders are heroically hanging on.

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